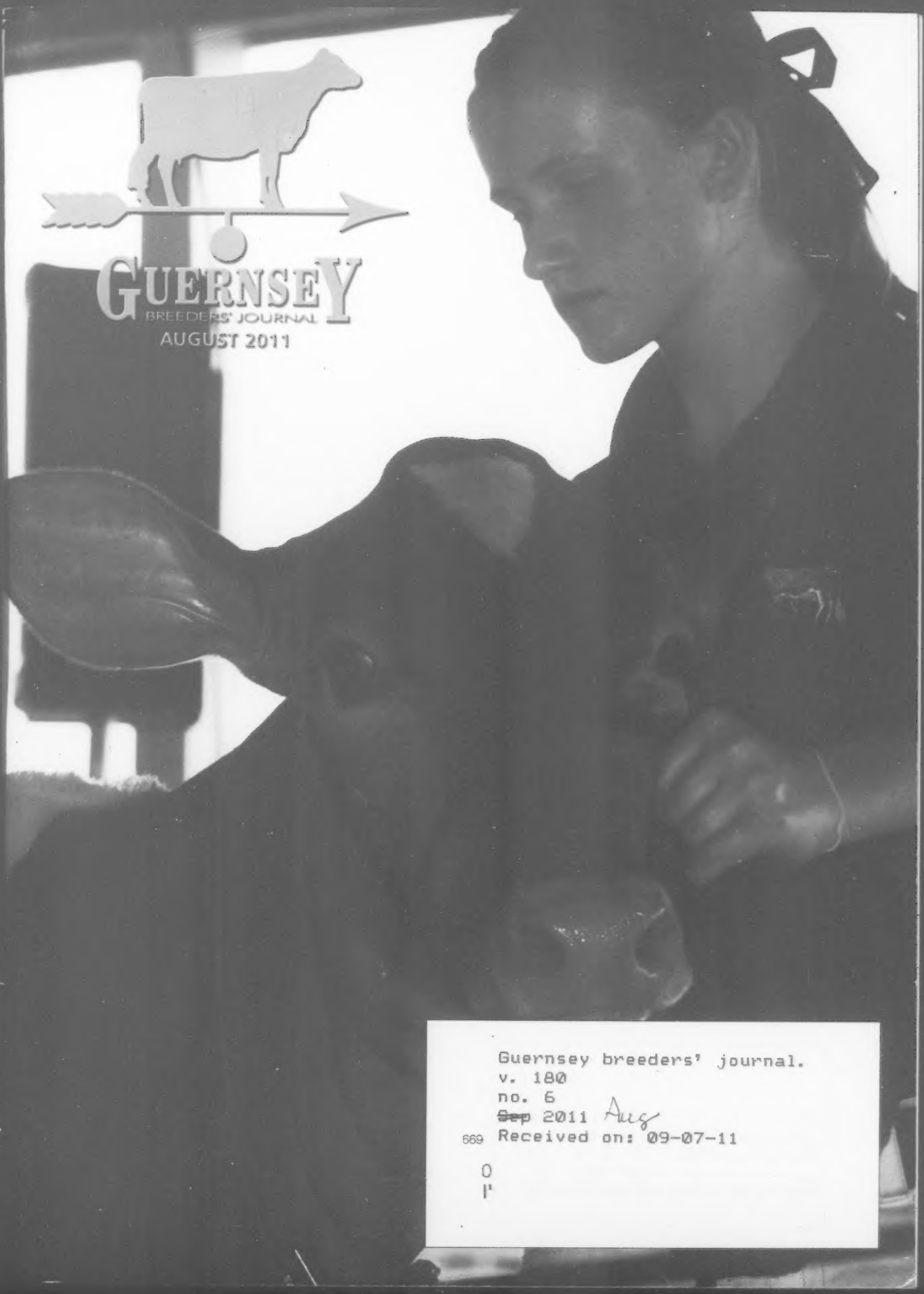

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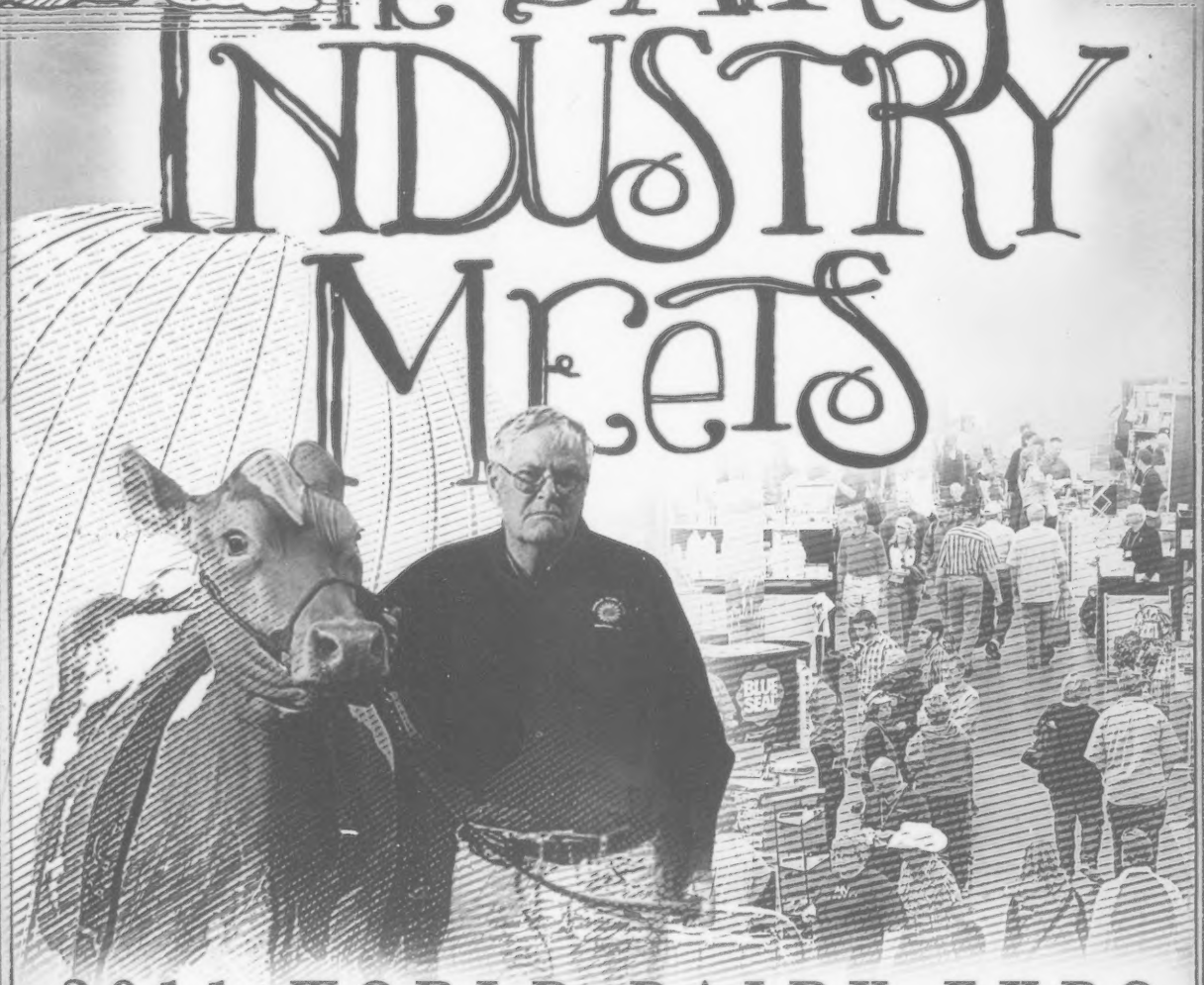

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National Outstanding Youth
Thomas McCarty – Rocky Hill Farm

2nd Place National Junior Quiz Bowl Team
(l-r) Sandra Krone, Samantha Klingler, Dalan Ealy and Joel Leise

2nd Place National Senior Quiz Bowl Team
(l-r) Spencer Weimer, Tanner Walason, Cassie Musser and Kyle Sollenberger
Kyle Sollenberger – Senior Contest MVP!

1st Int Prepared Public Speaking
Cara Trotter – Trotacre Farm

2nd Int Extemporaneous Speaking
Jamie Trotter – Trotacre Farm

1st Junior Folding Display
Joel Leise - Hillview Acres

1st Intermediate Folding Display
2nd Int Prepared Public Speaking
Matthew Leise – Hillview Acres

2nd Intermediate Folding Display
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1st Place Photo Contest
1st Intermediate Essay Contest
Tanner Walason – Green Slopes Farm

1st Junior Essay Contest
2nd Jr Prepared Public Speaking
Christa Ealy – Ealy's Highland Farm

2nd Junior Essay Contest
Dalan Ealy – Ealy's Highland Farm

3rd Jr Prepared Public Speaking
1st Jr Extemporaneous Speaking
Macy Walason – Green Slopes Farm

Group of Three Cows
Average: 22,172M 1,013F 708P
Samantha Klingler – Warrior Run

Production Awards:

Hershys Legacy Bamble Fawn: 26,210M 1,215F 892P
Andrew Liggett – Trotacre Farm

Group of Three Cows: Average: 23,550M 1,048F 762P
National Jr. Gold Star Breeder
Bethany Trotter – Trotacre Farm

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All roads led to Illinois for the 134th Annual Meeting and National Guernsey Convention June 22- 27. Perfect weather, great planning and an enthusiastic crowd of Guernsey enthusiasts made it an enjoyable week for all involved. *Convention coverage starts on page 9.*

ON THE COVER

Makayla Hickman of Shelbyville, Tennessee, presents an animal in the sale ring during the National Convention Sale in Greenville, Illinois, on June 27. The sale averaged $4,586 on 43 live lots and choices. For a sale report and full listing of buyers and prices turn to page 26. Photo by Lindsey Rucks.

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Golden Focus

Seth Johnson

First of all, I want to thank the Illinois Guernsey Breeders for all the work they put in to make this a great convention. The poor waiter that kept dropping trays of food at our dinners is the only guy that can truly say he had a bad week here. In particular I think we need to thank Kevin and Emily Hartmann and Ron and Betty Hartmann, who have put in countless hours to make sure everything went well this week – and it did! We talk often about the importance of youth programs and how it affects our lives down the road. I have known Emily Hartmann since she was a college student at the University of Kentucky and I was at Virginia Tech. In deference to her I won't tell you when that was. Now, years later, here are working together again on this National Guernsey Convention.

First of all, before I give you a report of our association's activity, I want to declare a moratorium on the term "in the dumpster". You've heard it a couple times this morning in our director's reports and it is a term that no longer applies and has no place in a positive, progressive organization. That phrase is "so 2009". We will be using only terms that reflect the excitement that is gripping our Guernsey fraternity these days. There is a positive "buzz" in the Guernsey breed right now. It is hard for me personally to tell that since I spend every day immersed in all things Guernsey. It's kind of like trying to tell if your show heifers have grown too fat when you feed them every day. But, several times in recent months people only loosely affiliated with the breed have asked me what is driving this "buzz" about the Guernsey breed. It started early this spring with the Four Winds Dispersal that put our breed on the front page of every news outlet and not only spread great Guernseys throughout the country but also got people talking about the breed. Jim Meyer made a comment last night at the Youth Banquet about a derogotory term he used to use for Guernseys. Imagine, the son-in-law of Myron Erdman, the father of Myron Erdman's granddaughter, slandering Guernseys. Well, not any more, the people and the cow have won him over and he now helps organize one of the more exciting showstrings that is out there. That can happen and it is happening. We have made vast improvement in our cow in the last decade and continue to push for more. Our people and our organization are just as accommodating as ever. Together, those two things will continue to move us forward.

The numbers back up the "buzz" about Guernseys. We showed a 12% increase in registrations last year with female registrations up 14%. We need to continue to be diligent about getting every Guernsey registered on time. Please let us know about herds you may know of that need a visit from us. We made a switch in our appraisal program after 15 years of excellent cooperation with the Brown Swiss and Milking Shorthorn breeda. That move was made in order to concentrate on providing a higher level of field service to our breeders from our amazingly dedicated employee, Brian Schnebly. Help us to do that by directing us to where we need to go.

Your *Guernsey Breeders' Journal* was over 100 pages larger in 2010 than in 2009. Much of that was due to the special issue that really brought our breed together to reminisce about days gone by and look to the future. The 100th Anniversary Issue of the Journal made a strong statement that there are many, many people that care about our breed and want to see it succeed. I received many comments after

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Buckeye Pride

1912 – 2012

Ohio GBA will be celebrating our 100th Anniversary in 2012! Watch for our celebration plans throughout the year!

Our National Champion Senior Quiz Bowl Team!

- Coming from behind with two victories in the final round! Bonnie Ayars, Coach; Levi Plocher, Dan Grim, Ashlee and Amber Dietz, and Robin Alden.

Congratulations to Ashlee and Amber Dietz. Ashlee completed her year as the National Guernsey Princess and placed second in the Sr. Folding Display Contest. Amber placed third in the Photo Contest.

Robin Alden (right) placed first in the Sr. Extemporaneous Speaking Contest.

Lucas Ayars was a National Outstanding Young Guernsey Farmer Runner-Up.

Spring Walk Farm of Big Prairie received Double Gold Star Breeder recognition.

Thank you Illinois for creating wonderful convention moments that became lifelong memories for our Ohio Guernsey family!

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Thank You

On behalf of the Washington Guernsey Cattle Club, we thank our 2010 National Guernsey Queen Brooke Vander Veen on a job well done serving the Guernsey Breeders of our nation. We appreciate Brooke traveling thousands of miles throughout our country to represent the Guernsey breed at many events. Brooke's inspiration and enthusiasm for the Guernsey Cow has made lasting impressions on many persons, both young and old.

WASHINGTON GUERNSEY BREEDERS

The 134th Annual Meeting of the AGA

President Leon Zweegman of Lynden, Washington, called the 134th Annual Meeting of the American Guernsey Association to order on June 27, 2011 in Collinsville, Illinois.

Call to Annual Meeting

President Zweegman called for the reading of the Call to the Annual Meeting. A Motion was made, seconded and passed to dispense with the reading of the call, which was printed in the May issue of the *Guernsey Breeders' Journal.*

Proxy Committee Introduction

The Proxy Committee was introduced – Beth Sutton, Chair, Duane Schuler and David Trotter. 88 proxies were received.

Reading of Minutes

A motion was made, seconded and passed to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 133rd Annual Meeting since they were printed in the August 2010 issue of the *Guernsey Breeders' Journal.*

Introductions

Executive Secretary Seth Johnson introduced the AGA staff present and the AGA Directors.

Deceased Members

Johnson followed by reading the list of those members of the AGA who had passed away since the previous annual meeting. He asked for additions from the crowd and received several. The complete listing is: Walter Frahm, Chad Yoder, Gilbert Wright, Walter Lueder, Harold Everett, Paul Fleming, Julie Josi, Mary Pralle, Emmet Clements, John Church, Harold Work, Frank Bovey, Harold Alexander, Eileen Wachtel, Jack Dendel, Donald Marshall, William Hitz, Minnie Holcomb, Lewis Van Mersbergen, Wendell Lang.

President's Report

President Leon Zweegman gave the following address to the membership:

Leon Zweegman

I want to bring you up to date on the changes we have tried to enact to right a very dangerous financial situation with your association. We knew that we must fix our finances first before we can render the service that you have come to expect. As the number of employees working from the office in Reynoldsburg has decreased, it became obvious that the space needed for our offices has declined as well. We were offered the space we needed on the west side of Columbus at COBA/Select Sires and moved into their facilities in October and have been able to rent out all three condo units this spring to create an income stream that more than covers our rent at COBA. We feel this was a good move for our employees as they now work in close contact with like-minded people from Ayrshire, Ohio DHIA and COBA Select.

As of May 1, AGA has separated ourselves from our joint appraisal program with Brown Swiss. Brian felt that he could do more for the breed by just scoring Guernseys and then using some time during his travels for field service and herd visits to herds that have lost contact with our association. Brian and Seth had provided us with projection of this change and we will continue to monitor our program as the year progresses.

As the milk price improves this year, we ask that those who slowed their involvement with AGA consider getting involved again by catching up on registrations and advertising in the Guernsey Breeders Journal. Things are improving but we need everyone's continued support. Interest in Guernseys is improving as evidenced by the outstanding spring sales and topped by Clark and Joy Vilter's Four Winds Dispersal. Personally, I have calls almost weekly from people looking for one or more Guernseys.

Another area of concern has been at Purebred Publishing Inc. The staff has been too short at times to make calls for ads between the time one issue goes to print and the next deadline is upon them. Many of you have met Lindsey Rucks here this week, who has been hired recently on a part time basis to hopefully fill that concern. We know some of you have been frustrated and we ask for your patience as this transition is made.

Promotion Committee

Promotion Committee Chairperson Keith Dixon, Phillipsburg, Missouri., gave the following report to the membership.

Keith Dixon

The Promotion Committee members are: Jill Walther, Walt Kessler, Beth Sutton, Emily Hartmann.

The Canadian and US Guernsey Associations are working on a North American Guernsey promotional brochure to be available for the National Shows later this year. It will highlight Guernsey qualities that help to them to excel in different production systems and climate, while demanding top dollar for high component milk. We also want to promote the health and nutritional benefits of Guernsey milk.

The youth are doing a suburb job of promoting Guernsey's thru AGA youth programs in their hometowns, at their state fairs and shows, with their collegiate friends and instructors. You are all to be commended for development and support of our youth programs.

The show committee added the following judges to the Approved Judges List: Scott Ellinghuysen, Jaaron Walther, Don Langher, Robert Jarrell and George Halpin.

Also, the board approved changes to the lease program to allow youth to lease two animals per year instead of just one. Then, whichever is shown at their first National Show, will be the only one that can be shown at subsequent National Shows.

Marketing Committee Report

Marketing Committee Chair Emily Hartmann of Illinois presented the following report:

Emily Hartmann

The markeing committee members include Jill Walther, Keith Dixon, Duane Schuler, Beth Sutton, Morey Miller and Emily Hartmann. The committee reviewed Guernsey Marketing Service's managed sales for 2011 which included the Four Winds Dispersal in March. The Four Winds sale averaged $5068 on 59 lots. GMS co-managed the Upper Midwest Spring Sale with WI GBA where 48 females averaged $2352. Future sales scheduled for 2011 include the National Guernsey Convention Sale on June 27, which GMS will be co-managing with IL GBA; and the Guernsey Classic at World Dairy Expo. GMS will also be assisting with the Woodale Dispersal on July 7. GMS is also pleased to report that within the past six months significant past due accounts have been collected resulting in $14,000 of increased cash flow. GMS has also seen an increase in revenue through the commission received from young sire semen sales from the semen being marketed by GMS.

There continues to be interest in the use of the Golden Guernsey trademarks. The Golden Guernsey committee has requested that the opportunity to collect royalties be investigated. Those royalties would then be used to maintain the trademarks and licensing fees associated with the Golden Guernsey logos. A plan is being developed to produce an informational piece regarding the qualities and benefits of Guernsey milk. This informational piece will be made available on the www.usguernsey.com website.

Records Committee Report

Records Committee Chair Jillian Walther of Iowa presented the following report:

Jillian Walther

The Records Committee members include Chairwoman Jillian Walther, Leon Zweegman, Walt Kessler, Emily Hartmann and Keith Dixon. Within this committee are also the Type Committee, Reproduction Committee and Genetic Improvement Committee reports.

The committee approved 10 new lifetime memberships and 11 annual memberships.

The American Guernsey Association is no longer scoring cows jointly with other breed associations.

It was decided that a Guernsey must be at minimum registered as a GR in order to participate in any national-level contest or recognition program.

In the Genetic Improvement Committee Meeting it was suggested that the AGA should evaluate milking speed for future use. The appraiser will inquire about milking speed at the time of individual cow evaluation. The committee reviewed the list of high priority traits. A stronger emphasis will be placed on reproduction. The traits now appear in this order or priority: 1. Protein percent - with increase in yield 2. Reproduction 3. Strength 4. Udder Attachments 5. Genetic Diversity 6. Fat Percent - with increase in yield 7. Foot Angle.

The AGA Type Committee Meeting produced two suggestions. First, they would like to see a list of committees published in the Journal and online so breeders know who to contact with their concerns. The committee decided that the AGA should create a new linear for rear teat placement.

The Reproduction Committee Meeting announced their plans to move forward with a cowside reproduction survey.

Finance Committee Report

Finance Committee Chair Walt Kessler of California presented the following report:

Walt Kessler

Once again we are here at an AGA convention to enjoy the fellowship of the Guernsey breeders. One of the responsibilities of this committee is to discuss the financial health and this year the Board is happy to report that decisions that we announced last year have been accepted by the membership and implemented.

We have increased registrations and transfers, relocated and reformulated the duties and responsibilities of employees, have successfully leased out our office facility, and had the best anniversary issue of any breed.

This year, with your help, we would like to continue to improve the numbers of registrations and transfers, continue to expand good Guernsey genetics through advertising and hosting well attended sales. It would be wonderful to see most issues like the anniversary one and we must continue to grow with greater participation from our breeder members in order to show off our genetics and to maintain and increase the value of the Guernsey cow. We must look for expanding our herd and breeder numbers so we can expand our budget to bring in more professional help to serve you and retire debt. We would like to call on all of you to use AGA services so that we can provide you with all the necessary data to make good business decisions on your dairy and continue to expand your investment in the Guernsey cow

Guernsey Foundation Report

Dr. John Mozier of Kansas, one of 3 trustees of The Guernsey Foundation, presented the following report:

Dr. John Mozier

The Guernsey Foundation consists of three Trustees, Blaine Crosser, Clark Vilter and John Mozier. The purpose of the Foundation is to support and promote research or projects that will benefit the dairy industry. At the close of last year, the Foundation had total assets of $339,948 which is $7,709 more than at the end of 2009.

The Foundation has committed $25,000 to the Genomics Project to be conducted by the USDA . The States of Guernsey has agreed to match the $25,000 in Foundation funds and has already paid a portion of this allowing us to have the DNA extracted from 80 older Guernsey bulls. AGA is obtaining DNA samples from at least 100 additional bulls in preparation for USDA's evaluation. We have been disappointed, as have the AGA staff, that this very important project has not moved faster as we are expecting the resulting data to have great benefits to the Guernsey breed in identifying those animals that possess the genes that improve the traits we believe are most important.

If anyone has ideas for studies that will be of benefit to Guernsey breeders, please contact Seth Johnson or one of the Foundation's trustees.

Purebred Publishing Report

Morey Miller of Connecticut, President of Purebred Publishing Inc., presented the following report:

Morey Miller

We all remember Walt Kessler's comments from the Finance Committee report for 2009. We have finally crawled out of the dumpster with our 2010 report after spending the year of 2009 in there.

In 2010 Purebred Publishing income was: $349,153 vs. $325,683 in 2009. Expenses were: $299,754 vs. $378,621 in 2009. Purebred profit was $49,398 vs. a loss of $52,937 in 2009. We gained more than $24,000 in income and reduced expenses by roughly $79,000. We are ahead in 2011 over 2010 at this time.

These are all steps in the right direction. However, we need to continue to improve our income side. We continually are looking for new ways to create more ads and having Lindsey Rucks as our new Ad Sales Specialist is one way to improve ad sales. She will be our marketing agent and will be working part-time, and will be a source of more personal contacts with our potential advertisers.

We continually struggle to get our Journals out on time and this year has had its pitfalls of issues – such as maternity leaves and a mother of our staff with cancer who needed care. That person's mother is through chemo and in the past few weeks was doing better, our pregnant mom has had her baby and is back at work. We really are at 'bare bones' for staff with 2 full-time people and 2 part-time people and lets not overlook what Seth contributes with proof reading and financial oversight over Purebred Publishing. Because of limited staff, other projects including internet and websites have been limited. Another aspect of more access to internet advertising is the social structure of our readers. Many older people do not have computers, however our younger generation use it as part of their daily lives. So we are a bit like the sandwich generation of adults, caring for kids and elderly parents at the same time, but this will change as time progresses.

We will be changing our format this fall for the All-American nominations issue. We will have a January issue with the nominations released after the Journal comes out the end of the 3rd week of January, there will be no February issue and March will carry the results. This hopefully will correct the lag time and old news of the February Journal in the past carrying something we already know all about.

On a final note, I believe the staff did a fantastic job with the Anniversary Issue and many nice comments were received from people in other parts of our industry such as Horace Backus and Wayne Sliker. Again, I want to thank you for placing ads and helping us get out of the dumpster. The Journal continues to be the life line of communication for our industry and your input is always welcome.

Report on Voting

Following President Zweegman's introduction of the four candidates for seats on the AGA Board E. Cline Brubaker of Virginia, Chair of the Election Committee reported that with 146 total votes cast P. Morey Miller of Granby, Connecticut, was elected to a second term as a Director At-Large and that with 34 total votes cast Donna Anderson of Lester Prairie, Minnesota, had been elected as Director from District 5.

Cline Brubaker

Resolutions

Troy Hill of Pennsylvania, chair of the AGA Resolutions Committee reported the following resolutions, which were all approved as read:

Troy Hill

Resolution I

Whereas, the members of the Illinois Guernsey Breeders Association have been most gracious and hospitable hosts during this convention and the 134th annual meeting of the American Guernsey Association; therefore, be it resolved that the membership and friends of the AGA assembled at this meeting do hereby extend their thanks and appreciation to our hosts for their diligent efforts in organization, accommodations and friendship.

Resolution II

Whereas the staff of the AGA and Purebred Publishing has functioned in a professional manner and has served the Guernsey breeders to the best of their ability; therefore, be it resolved that the membership thank the staff for their hard work and dedication, and challenge and encourage them to continue to work with the Board of Directors and breeders for the future success of the breed.

Resolution III

Whereas members of the Board of Directors of the AGA have taken time away from their home farms and businesses to serve the interests and concerns of all Guernsey breeders; therefore, be it resolved that we thank them with appreciation.

Resolution IV

Whereas Jill Walther has provided leadership to the AGA by serving as Director of District 5 for four years and as Vice-President of AGA for the past year; therefore, be it resolved that the entire membership of the AGA commend Ms. Walther for her leadership, dedication, and service for the betterment of the Guernsey breed.

Resolution V

Whereas Morey Miller has provided leadership to the AGA by serving as Director-At large for four years and as President of Purebred Publishing for two years; therefore, be it resolved that the entire membership of the AGA commend Dr. Miller for his leadership, dedication, and service for the betterment of the Guernsey breed.

Resolution VI

Whereas the American Guernsey Association and its members recognize that all diseases present many challenges and concerns within the dairy industry; therefore, be it resolved that we encourage all breeders to take proper management steps to help control and prevent the spread of various diseases.

Resolution VII

Whereas it is important for the expansion of the Guernsey breed, to encourage new breeders and owners to get involved with and work with Guernseys; therefore, be it resolved that all members of the AGA actively promote the Guernsey cow and make all dairymen aware of her many attributes and qualities.

Resolution VIII

Whereas the younger generation of Guernsey breeders are the future of our breed and the pride of our organization; therefore, be it resolved that the membership of AGA continue to support and encourage the AGYA, all its members and their various activities throughout the year.

Resolution IX

Whereas aAa evaluation can be a useful and helpful tool in mating dairy cattle; therefore, be it resolved that the AGA encourage all A.I. companies to have aAa evaluations done on their Guernsey bulls so that information will be available to those breeders wishing to use this tool.

Resolution X

Whereas several members of the American Guernsey Association are currently producing and promoting Golden Guernsey milk products; therefore, be it resolved that the AGA membership continue to support these endeavors and encourage more Guernsey breeders to explore niche marketing opportunities.

Resolution XI

Whereas demand for Guernsey cattle is at an all-time high; therefore, be it resolved that Guernsey breeders be encouraged to use sexed semen and make use of embryo transfer procedures using non-Guernsey recipients to try to maximize the population of Guernseys.

Resolution XII

Whereas improvement of reproductive efficiency and longevity are key elements in the development and expansion of the Guernsey breed; therefore, be it resolved that we as members fully support the continued research of the Reproduction Committee and encourage the young sire directors to select bulls with strong reproduction and longevity in their pedigrees.

Resolution XIII

Whereas genomic research has come to the forefront of the A.I. industry; therefore, be it resolved that the AGA Board of Directors continue to push forward with this research so that we may eventually incorporate it into our bull selection criteria.

There being no further official business, the meeting was adjourned.

National Convention Award Winners

The following Guernsey breeders were presented with awards at the National Guernsey Convention Awards Breakfast in Collinsville, Illinois.

NATIONAL OUTSTANDING YOUNG FARMER RUNNER-UP

Lucas Ayars of Mechanicsburg, Ohio, is the 2011 National Outstanding Young Guernsey Breeder runner-up. He is no stranger to the Guernsey breed having grown up on his family's Land of Living Registered Guernsey herd. He began his dairy career with the Guernsey breed, where he excelled from the start. His drive and determination for perfection helped him make his mark on numerous Guernsey youth programs. Lucas is a multiple National Guernsey Showmanship winner and was also the recipient of the Turley Scholarship. Beyond that he has also competed on several winning national quiz bowl teams and has exhibited numerous Junior All Americans. His junior history with the Guernsey breed has helped shape him into the breeder and enthusiast he has become.

Today, Lucas is still very active on his family's farm - Land of the Living. He is in charge of the day-to-day operation of the farm, most crop work, and the coordination of the farm's show string. Most recently, Lucas has taken the responsibility of overseeing the farm's newest venture - Ayars Family Farm Ice Cream. With an idea that started many years ago, Lucas is marketing his own brand of ice cream to several local grocery stores in surrounding towns. Lucas is determined to have his business flourish in the name of the Guernsey cow. One of Lucas' greatest qualities is his enthusiasm and adoration for the Guernsey breed. He believes that it is extremely important to expose the Guernsey cow to a wider audience. Lucas strongly believes in advertising with the Guernsey Journal in order to help promote the Guernsey breed, and invariably extend their interest to other farmers. Lucas is utmost deserving of this award and will continue to strive to promote the breed that has given him, and many others, so much.

NATIONAL OUTSTANDING YOUNG FARMER

The 2011 National Outstanding Young Guernsey Breeder is the husband and wife team of Brian and Kristi Dinderman, a duo that has only just begun to make their mark on the Guernsey breed.

Growing up on their family's farms, the Dindermans were exposed to the dairy industry at a young age. With help from their families and experiences through 4-H and FFA they were able to grow into special young adults in the dairy industry, gaining leadership experiences and knowledge with each passing year. Brian and Kristi were both very active in junior breed organizations, participating in dairy judging and dairy bowl contests all through their junior careers. Brian was a member of FFA and received a State FFA degree and was also a member of the Illinois State FFA dairy judging team. Kristi was very active in the Holstein and Ayrshire state and national associations and was eventually named Illinois Ayrshire queen. Another great accomplishment for Kristi was being honored with the All-American award for the 4-H and collegiate judging contest at World Dairy Expo. In 2001, Kristi was the winner of a competitive post-secondary contest at Expo. Today the Dindermans are a well-rounded couple; they are involved in many aspects of the dairy industry and the Guernsey breed. They serve on DHIA and Farm Bureau boards and also enjoy judging several local shows a year. They are district, state and national Guernsey members. They also have been awarded with the top Guernsey production herd in Illinois for the past four years. Since 2007, the Dindermans have owned and operated their own farm in Illinois. Their farm consists of 80 milking animals. The cows are milked in a tie-stall barn with free-stalls available. Cows are on pasture from April to October to receive the benefits of exercise and to get them off of the concrete. The couple enjoys showing at the local, state, and national levels and believes in breeding a well-balanced, productive cow to present to other dairymen. They hope that by incorporating more strength in their cows, they will breed animals to have many of the positive attributes of the Guernsey cow, such as production and longevity. They also believe in keeping the Guernsey tradition of high quality milk a positive trait for their cows and try to select for high fat and protein in their genetics. The Dindermans are trying to build strong cow families that they can market superior cattle from. Since they are a smaller herd, they believe it is a niche that can and will keep them competitive in the dairy industry. They try to consign several animals a year to Guernsey sales and in return also try to buy new genetics to bring into their herd. In 2009, the couple exhibited the 2nd place Jr. 2 year old at World Dairy Expo. Adams Creek Regal Dancer, EX-92, went on to named Honorable Mention All-American and was the top selling animal in the 2011 National Sale. The Dindermans have 3 children: Alaina 4, Amery 2, and Aiden 2.

MASTER BREEDER

The 2011 Master Breeder Award was presented to Roland Ripley of Ripley Farms in Cortland, New York. The award was presented by Blaine Crosser.

Roland Ripley took over the family farm at the age of 16 and has always had great ambitions for his Guernsey cows. While Roland was in high school, the farm's herd average was around 6,000M. Roland told his agriculture teacher that his goal was to reach a herd average of 10,000 pounds of milk. The teacher laughed at him for setting such a ridiculous goal but that gave Roland the fuel to reach it. Through the use of outstanding genetics and solid management practices, the Ripley Guernsey herd average has climbed to as high as 18,000M. Roland developed Ripley Guernsey Farms from the ground up. His father, Charles, died when Roland was still in high school. Following graduation, he married his wife, Patty, who became a valuable partner supporting the developing farm with her labor, family and faith. Roland was fortunate to live in central New York, an area rich with Guernsey farms including Wandering Brook, McDonald, Greystone, Holcomb and High Meadows. Well-known Guernsey breeders associated with these farms like K.C. Sly, Henry Thomas, Stanley Murphy, Paul Fleming and Bob Holcomb all became valuable mentors for Roland in all aspects of owning, showing and breeding Registered Guernsey cattle. He worked hard to implement all that he learned from these men and as his

Ashlee Dietz, National Guernsey Princess; Brian and Kristi Dinderman, 2011 National Outstanding Young Farmers; Brooke Vander Veen, National Guernsey Queen.

Ashlee Dietz, National Guernsey Princess; Patti and Roland Ripley, 2011 Master Breeder Award winner; Brooke Vander Veen, National Guernsey Queen

farm and family grew, it was obvious that he was a good student. In 1974, Roland was presented the National Outstanding Young Guernsey Farmer award.

Ripley Farms has been home to many outstanding animals including more than 30 homebred Excellent Guernseys. The April 2011 CPI list has 27 of the top 150 cows owned by Ripley Farms. Skytop Prissys Dagny scored EX-93 and was the first cow on the farm to be flushed. While Dagny didn't carry the Ripley Farms prefix, she was bred by Roland. He sold her mother as a bred animal and when she calved with a heifer, Roland offered to buy the calf. Dagny was purchased and developed into a bull mother sending five sons into AI service. Ripley Farms G Conni Rose, EX-91, is a prime example of the master breeding at Ripley Farms combining show winning type with elite production. She was named Grand Champion of the New York State Fair in 2007 and earned an All-American nomination while ranking among the top 25 cows on the breed's high CPI list. Conni Rose has two sons in young sire programs and breeders will start to see their impact in the years to come. Lowbrook Goldfoot Conny (affectionately called Conny G) has been flushed extensively and has become a most prolific cow family within the Ripley herd. Her genetics have been spread to other herds around the country via sales. The April 2011 CPI list has 14 daughters and seven granddaughters among the top 300 cows with 32 daughters and seven granddaughters scored Excellent or Very Good. The excellent breeding of this family is a story that is still being written.

Ripley Farms has shown successfully at the state and national level earning multiple All-American nominations nearly every year. Roland has always had a good eye for cattle and has picked great genetics to add to the herd. While not bred by Ripley Farms, nearly twenty Excellent cows have been developed by Roland and his sons. In 2009, Ripley Farms earned Double Gold Star Breeder recognition for the first time.

Several Ripley Farms bulls have been sent into AI programs and have helped develop the Guernsey breed. Most notable are Ripley Farms Banner Skytop, Ripley Farms Dallas, Ripley Farms Enhancer Reward-ET and Ripley Farms RO Royalty-ET. Dallas topped the Canadian sire list and was used extensively north of the border and in Australia while Royalty ranked as the #1 TPI sire on the active AI list here in the United States.

Roland has always been driven to breed cows that will produce in the show ring and in the milk string. He takes great pride in his animals and was thrilled when Ripley Farms earned both Premier Breeder and Exhibitor at the 2009 New York State Fair.

Roland has always supported and been involved in dairy activities. He is a member of the American Guernsey Association and the New York State Guernsey Breeders serving as secretary for more than 30 years. He is also a PDCA approved judge and has been privileged to judge the National Guernsey show in Louisville, the Canadian Royal Winter Fair and the national show in Australia. Roland has always been a staunch supporter of New York Guernsey sales and has spent many long hours on the road picking animals for the sales.

Another New York breeder, Peter Coon, describes Roland this way: "Roland has devoted his life to the maintenance, development and improvement of the Guernsey breed. A look at the CPI or AI sire list is a testament to the success of the Ripley Farms breeding program. Over the years, there has been much discussion at New York Guernsey board meetings about our sales not being profitable, too much work and the lack of volunteers to host them. Roland was always adamant about how important these sales were to be sure that there was a place for people to market and purchase good Guernseys, especially for juniors. When animals were in short supply, Roland has been known to return home and sell more of his own as well as support youth in show ring endeavors by leasing them Guernsey heifers."

Roland has been actively involved in his community through the years. He served as a deacon in his local church for many years and has helped with building and remodeling projects. He has been a fixture at the Cortland County Junior Fair for over 50 years showing his Guernseys there as a youth and then mentoring many 4-Hers along with his own children and grandchildren with their dairy projects. In 1997, Roland and Patty were presented the Purple Ribbon Award for outstanding contributions to the fair.

Just as the Conny G family has become a large cow family, the Ripley family has grown through five children, 22 grandchildren and three great grandchildren with another on the way. Whether kids or cows, it is always about a wonderful family at Ripley Farms.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Clark and Joy Vilter of Hartland, Wisconsin, are the 2011 recipients of the AGA Distinguished Service Award. Clark and Joy are totally committed to helping the Guernsey breed succeed. They have served on many committees, helped out on boards and Clark even served as the AGA President. They also have helped coordinate many sales, co-chairing the 2008 National Guernsey sale that reached the highest selling National Sale average in the history of the breed. In addition, they have contributed valuable animals to these sales and supported the sales financially by purchasing some of the top sellers. Other positions Clark has held include: PDCA President, World Dairy Expo Board and President of the Wisconsin Guernsey Breeders' Association. Clark and Joy also love to support youth and encourage them to be active in the breed. Clark and Joy have hosted many dairy judging teams at the farm, plus for years, they helped coordinate the dairy show at the county fair: Clark as superintendent and Joy as assistant superintendent. Many kids have shown Four Winds animals at local, state and national levels. Melanie Balinas is a good example of Clark and Joy's generosity toward the youth... As a young girl raised in Brookfield (a suburb of Milwaukee), Melanie approached Four Winds Farm, which was about 15 miles away from her home, because she wanted to learn more about the agricultural industry. "Eleven years ago, Clark and Joy gave me my start in the Guernsey breed," says Melanie "They opened their farm to the "city girl" and taught me everything that I know about dairy cattle. I was given so many opportunities to try and learn new things – from daily chores to showing at World Dairy Expo. They were so gracious and unselfish about allowing me on their farm and every year trying to lease me the best animal in the show string so that I would have the chance to have my own success." Almost a decade later, Melanie went from having zero experience on a dairy farm to enrolling in the Dairy Science program at UW-Madison. She hopes to translate her passion for dairy cattle into a successful career within the dairy industry. Melanie will be the first to say that she is living a dream thanks to Clark and Joy.

Family is very important to the Vilters and they made the difficult decision to sell the famed Four Winds herd in March of this year in order to spend more time with their grandchildren. They have three children – Tim, Jim and Tina. The sale became a catalyst for interest in the Guernsey breed, averaging over $5,000 and spreading exceptional genetics across the country. The Vilters have the most All-American nominations of the breed at 281; they bred 249 of these animals. Leading the AA numbers is Four Winds Magicman Delight. During her career, she earned eight All-American nominations,

Brooke Vander Veen, National Guernsey Queen; Joy and Clark Vilter, 2011 Distinguished Service Award winners; Ashlee Dietz, National Guernsey Princess.

and while she shares this record with three other cows, she tops the others with four All-American titles, plus two Reserves and one Honorable Mention certificate. At Four Winds, there have been countless national show class-winning individuals, with 17 of them being crowned Grand Champion at a national show. The Vilter family is the leading exhibitor of national grand champion females as well as the leading breeder, with 11 head earning the Best Bred and Owned title to date. One of the Vilter's national champions was Westlynn Tom Dee. Her family members have followed in her footsteps with class wins, nominations and championship awards of their own. Yet, Four Winds is more than just a herd of show cows - it is a true breeding herd. When you study the sire listing, the Four Winds prefix ranks fourth as sires of All-American nominations. Four Winds Magicman ranks second behind the great Fayette as the leading sire of All-American nominations. Four Winds Dollar currently ranks as the breed's number one Udder Composite bull and most recently Four Winds Showtime was named Premier Sire at World Dairy Expo (the second time a Four Winds bull was named Premier Sire at a national show). Clark and Joy have been named Premier Breeder 28 times at a national show and Premier Exhibitor 25 times. In addition, they have 8 American Guernsey Association Gold Star Breeder Designations

Joy has made a very positive impact on the community, starting up and directing (all as a volunteer) the Hartland-area food pantry. In addition, she also is very active in her church serving on many volunteer committees. Clark and Joy have made several community donations, including covering the cost of a fire truck used for grass fires. They also have hosted many farm tours, helping to educate the community on the importance of the dairy industry. In addition, they currently are hosting a program through the local high school where special education students come out to the farm to learn more about agriculture.

In 2003, Clark and Joy were named the National Guernsey Association Master Breeders. Clark was named the 1998 Klussendorf winner and currently serves as the group's President. Clark and Joy were named the A.C. Whitie Thomson award winners, given for exemplary leadership and sportsmanship as a herdsman/showman.

PRODUCTION AWARD PRESENTATION

Brian Schnebly, AGA Programs Coordinator, recognized the 2010 National Production Award winners.

HIGH MILK, BUTTERFAT & PROTEIN HERD

Wesgray Guernseys of Viola, Wisconsin, achieved the highest lactation average in the nation in 2010 with 17 cows averaging 23,756M 4.6% 1,077F 3.1% 737P. This is the second consecutive year Wesgray has received these awards and the totals this year reflect a 700 pound of milk increase over the 2009 average. The farm is run by Darrel, Jen and Spencer Clark and Darrel's parents Wesley and Grace Clark. Darrel reads pedigrees at many Guernsey sales in the state of Wisconsin and can often be found trucking cattle to sales across the country. In addition to her considerable work on the farm, Jen is an independent dairy nutrition consultant, serving about 30 herds within a 60-mile radius of the farm. Both are very active in the Wisconsin Guernsey Breeders' Association. Their 50-cow herd also includes about 15 milking Brown Swiss. The cows are milked three times per day in a tie-stall barn. The Clarks use a high percentage of young sires in their breeding program. While most of their herd is homebred, in recent years the Clarks have purchased a few animals with outstanding production credentials to add some diverse pedigrees to the herd. The Clarks aim to breed for long-lived cows that can produce at a high level comfortably in their barn. Several cow families have been established at Wesgray Guernseys and are now helping to contribute to these award-winning production totals. Last year's cow with the highest milk and protein record in the nation, Wesgray Aliance Juicy, EX-90 with a 94-point mammary system, continues to be one of the highest producers in the herd. After getting off to a bit of a rough start to her third lactation, Juicy came on strong and just completed her second consecutive record with over 30,000M 1,100F and 900P. This year's headliner is Wesgray Legacy Tillie, VG-84. She completed the top milk record in the country in 2010. We will hear more about her shortly. Wesgray Lorry Kipper is an EX-90 Lorry daughter, with over 145,000M lifetime, that has a son on the current active A.I. list. Wesgray Legacy Kaptain at Accelerated Genetics is a high production bull that also has outstanding health traits. The Clarks have marketed several individuals from her family. Wesgray Royal Oak Jewel is, at EX-93, the highest scored homebred cow in the herd and was the first cow in the herd to make over 30,000M. She currently has over 217,000 pounds of milk lifetime. Wesgray Guernseys was always a fixture at Minnesota State Fair – prior to the recent Minnesota TB restrictions – and they show at World Dairy Expo from time to time. They have bred many animals that have placed near the top at Madison and have earned several All-American nominations over the years. The Clarks have been aggressive in flushing their better cows and are using sexed semen in the hopes of increasing the number of heifer calves born on the farm. Recent improvements on the farm include a vertical TMR mixer, which will give them more feeding options. They intend to remain focused on production by milking three times a day and challenging the cows while maintaining a healthy diet. They installed ally mats in the barn recently to further improve cow comfort as they move in and out of the barn.

Wesley and Grace Clark of Wesgray Guernseys collected several production awards including top herd for milk, fat and protein in 2010 as well as high cow for milk. They are being congratulated by Ashlee Dietz, National Guernsey Princess.

COMMERCIAL HERD AWARD

The Commercial Herd Award recognizes the top herd in the nation for Energy Corrected Milk. The herd must complete over 50 lactations during the year. In 2010, the largest herd of Guernseys in the nation is the recipient of this award. Hoard's Dairyman Farm of Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin completed 243 records in 2010 with averages of 20,119M 4.8% 966F 3.3% 661P for an Energy Corrected Milk total of 22,097M. These totals also place them in the top ten for milk, fat and protein in the entire country for herds of all sizes. Hoard's Dairyman Farm has become a model for managing a large herd of Guernseys with many of their successes and challenges chronicled in the Hoard's Dairyman magazine. Their rapid expansion has included a move from a tie-stall barn milking 80 cows twice per day to milking over 300 registered Guernseys in a new free-stall and parlor and milking three times per day. Their successful strategy for getting milk out of cows yielded a stunning 38 Component Queens in 2010. The herd is managed by Jason Yurs, the 2008 National Outstanding Young Guernsey Farmer. It has often been reported in the Hoard's Dairyman Magazine that the herd benefits from the

Brooke Vander Veen, National Guernsey Queen and Steve Larson of Hoard's Dairyman Farm, the winners of the 2010 Commercial Herd Award.

input of a management team of experts in their fields. The editorial staff members of the magazine are also active participants in the affairs of the herd. The herd has recently focused their attention on breeding for improved reproductive efficiency and uses semen for every young sire that is released for sampling in the breed. Several outstanding animals have helped to contribute to the farm's outstanding production totals. Rutter Bros. Perfecto Ruthie, EX-91, is the living lifetime queen at the farm currently. Her lifetime totals are 194,410M 5.2% 10,130F 3.7% 7,130P. She has a Goliath daughter, Ruby, who is also scored Excellent-90, and is the #8 cow for butterfat on the 2010 Guernsey Living Lifetime List, with totals of 162,439M 5.7% 9,307F 3.6% 5,782P. The high current CPI cow in the herd is Dairyman Louie Sweetner, VG-86. At 2-03 in 365 days Sweetner completed 30,970M 4.6% 1416F 3.1% 970P. She has freshened now for the second time and continues to milk extremely well and according to Jason, "she just does it with ease." Outstanding milk production runs in the family as Sweetner's dam was a past winner of the Tarbell Trophy for the high two-year-old with over 42,000 pounds of milk, 2,100 pounds of fat and 1,375 pounds of protein. These cows are just a sampling of the outstanding production found within the herd at Hoard's Dairyman Farm. The American Guernsey Association considers Hoard's Dairyman Farm to be a huge asset to the Guernsey breed and we are very proud to present them with the 2010 Commercial Herd Award.

LEIBERS TROPHY, VALLEY SET AWARD & ARNOLD KNIGHT TROPHY

Three awards are given annually to the cow with the highest lifetime milk, fat and protein production. The Leibers trophy is given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Leibers of Nebraska and goes to the cow with the highest lifetime milk production. The Valley Set Award was established in 1986 by Ron Wenger and Family to recognize the highest lifetime fat production. It wasn't until 1992 that the Arnold Knight Trophy was established by the Wisconsin GBA to honor the cow with the highest lifetime protein production. In order to be eligible for these awards the cow must have been DHI tested at least once during 2010. The 2010 winner is still going strong, in fact in the last year she has been the first place Long Time Production cow at the Maryland Field Day twice and also first at the 2010 Maryland State Fair. Her name is Walnut Ridge Magic Cher. She had lifetime totals at the end of 2010 of 284,180M 5.1% 14,405F 3.4% 9,548P. She is scored EX-92 and is sired by Nells Glow Admiral Magic. This is the second consecutive year she has won all three awards. In 2008, Cher had the highest milk and fat totals and was second for protein. She currently has the highest lifetime totals in the history of the Guernsey breed. Cher was born on New Year's Eve in 1995 and is bred and owned by Walnut Ridge Farm of Middletown, Maryland. Her eighth lactation was her best effort to date - 13-02 365D 29,240M 5.0% 1,476F 3.0% 864P. She is out of a VG-84 Frank daughter with a top record over 1,000F. Incredibly, only Cher's last calving resulted in a heifer calf, sired by a Mentor son. Walnut Ridge Farm is currently home to 54 milking, Registered Guernseys that are milked twice a day and fed a TMR. Their 2010 lactation average is 17,993M 937F and 622P and they had four cows in the herd this year earn Component Queen recognition. It is truly a family operation with three generations represented on the farm. Douglas and Evelyn Hawker are the owners of the farm. Their daughter, Pam Moser, serves as the herd manager and she receives a lot of help from her son, daughters and many nieces and nephews.

NEW ENGLAND TROPHY

The New England Trophy is awarded to the cow completing the highest 305D actual record and the California Protein Award is earned by the cow with the highest 305D protein record. It is sponsored by the California Guernsey Cattle Club.

The New England Trophy is awarded to the cow completing the highest 305D actual record for milk. Wesgray Legacy Tillie is the winner of this award for 2010, completing a record of 4-09 305D 37,380M 4.2% 1566F 2.8% 1052P. She is bred and owned by Wesgray Guernseys of Viola, Wisconsin. Tillie is a daughter of Nedrow Farms Goliath Legacy. She is classified VG-84 and in just three lactations has amassed 109,980M 4,684F and 3,167P. Outstanding production runs in this maternal family. Tillie's dam was an 88-point Lorry daughter that completed two records over 1,000 pounds of fat. The granddam was a Very Good Smokey daughter with lifetime totals of 150,000M 6,200F and 4,700P.

CALIFORNIA PROTEIN AWARD

The California Protein Award is earned by the cow with the highest 305D protein record. It is sponsored by the California Guernsey Cattle Club. GT-Walnut Ridge Magic Sacrifice is the 2010 award winner. At 5-11 Sacrifice completed a 305D record of 31,090M 5.9% 1,838F 3.5% 1,073P. She has already completed five lactations and amassed lifetime totals of 124,870M 6,060F and 4,358P. She is sired by a bull that maybe had the biggest impact on production in the past 25 years, Nells Glow Admiral Magic. Sacrifice is an excellent example of the genetics that have been brought into the breed through the Genetic Recovery program.

TARBELL TROPHY & NYALA BEDFORD TROPHY

The Tarbell Trophy recognizes the highest 305D fat record each year. It was established in 1948 in memory of Gage Tarbell, the founder of Tarbell Guernsey Farm, Smithville Flats, New York. The Nyala-Bedford Trophy is presented in memory of F.T. Bedford, founder of Nyala Farm, Green Farm, Connecticut. It is now awarded to the cow completing the highest energy corrected record in her first lactation. The 2010 winner of both these awards is OCS Dairy Downunder Tillie Sue with a record of 2-05 305D 28,700M 7.2% 2063F 3.3% 946P. Sue has a very unique distinction as she is a third generation Tarbell Trophy recipient. These three cows have won the Tarbell Trophy in 3 of the past 4 years. Sue has not been classified and is a daughter of Rutter Bros. Tillers Ludwig. Sue's dam, the 2009 Tarbell Trophy winner, is a VG-86 daughter of Trotacre Loral Tiller that has three records over 27,000M and 1,500F. The next dam, OCS Dairy Downunder Deb is an EX-91 Futuristic Frank Sentry daughter that won the 2007 Tarbell Trophy with a record of over 33,000M and 1,900F. All three of her completed records were over 30,000M, giving her over 110,000M lifetime. The next dam was a VG-88 Fayette with over 30,000M and 1,000F. The next dam was OCS Dairy Daisys Diadora, EX-94, with a long string of impressive showring and production credentials. Tillie Sue is bred by OCS Dairy and the Downunder Syndicate of Jefferson, Maryland, and is owned by Chance Smith of Jefferson. The VG-88 Fayette was purchased by the Downunder Syndicate of Warren Gibson and Gil Cleggett of Australia in the 1998 World Guernsey Conference National Sale. The family has remained at OCS Dairy. Embryos from the family have been exported and young sires resulting from them have been used in Australia.

MAX DAWDY AWARDS

The Max Dawdy Young Sire Awards recognize success resulting from young sire matings. They are given to a first-crop daughter of a sire in an AI sampling program that completed their first lactation in 2010. The awards are based on official USDA yield deviations for milk, fat and protein. The awards are named in honor of Max Dawdy, a former AGA Excutive Secretary who was instrumental in establishing the AGA Young Sire Proving Groups. The cash award given to the winners are sponsored by United Guernsey Genetics and Dairybelt Guernsey Sires.

First For Milk & Protein & Second for Fat
Dairyman Louie Sweetner
Sire: Rutter Bros Lewis Louie
+6188M +264F +189P
Hoard's Dairyman Farm, Ft. Atkinson, WI

First For Fat
Dairyman Kaptain Peacock
Sire: Wesgray Legacy Kaptain
+3422M +269F +96P
Hoard's Dairyman Farm, Ft. Atkinson, WI

Second For Protein
Beauty View Lance Durango
Sire: Flambeau Manor Holiday Lance
+4823M +213F +161P
Beauty View Farm, Wahoo, NE

Third For Protein
Beauty View Samson Gorgous
Sire: Southern Justice Banger Samson
+4858M +175F +158P
Beauty View Farm, Wahoo, NE

Third For Fat
Jens Gold Geo Luce
Sire: Golden J Les George
+2395M +257F +81P
Jens Gold LLC, Amery, WI

Second For Milk
Ritawa Nash Julep
Sire: Lang Haven Tiller Nash-ET
+5934M +146F +111P
Joseph Wampler, Rocky Mount, VA

Third For Milk
Smithfield Kaptain Vesta
Sire: Wesgray Legacy Kaptain
+5435M +142F +142P
Caitlyn Coon, Amenia, NY

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it was out from people that regret not having participated. Put the group that did join that effort with the ones that wish they had and we have a large group of enthusiasts that can help our magazine continue to be a great promotional tool.

Financially, we had a turnaround of over $100,000 between 2009 and 2010. Some of that change was increased income, but a lot was reducing costs from our already bare bone operations. Your staff will continue to try to find ways to reduce costs while maintaining services to you. The combined financial statements for Purebred and AGA show an increase in assets of just over $10,000 for 2010. 2011 is off to a solid start as well.

We continue to work to get the Guernsey breed out in front of as many people as possible. We've recently worked with Progressive Dairyman magazine to provide a feature on Jillian Walther, one of your board members. We worked with Farmshine newspaper in Pennsylvania last month to coordinate some stories about well-run Guernsey operations. We continue to benefit from the fact that the Hoard's Dairyman Farm is the largest Guernsey operation in the US and the resulting publicity that brings. We have worked with the Dairy Agenda Today website to provide coverage of this event here in Illinois. Interest in our breed is growing!

AGA made a move last fall to the building owned by COBA-Select Sires. Geographically, it wasn't a big move, just 20 miles to the west and still right along interstate 70. But, it was a significant move for us. First of all, it made financial sense. Now, with the building we own leased to another company, we are essentially living for free. The rent we receive covers all the costs of owning and maintaining that facility as well as the rent we are paying at COBA. Secondly, COBA has provided us with a positive working environment for our employees. That building is full of diverse people who are excited about the dairy industry. I want to thank Bernie Heisner and his Board, one of whom is here with us – Bill Wachtel of Spring Walk Farm. They opened the door to us and have been incredibly hospitable hosts. I cannot say enough good things about how well this arrangement has worked out. Within a week of moving our operations there each of our employees had a name plate on their door courtesy of COBA. If you'd like to know how much that small gesture meant, call Ida Albert and ask her.

There are two weeks of the year when everything in the outside world fades into the background – National Convention week and the week of World Dairy Expo. I have no idea what is happening in the world this week except that my Red Sox are becoming mediocre again and that after six days of my absence by five-year-old son thought it might be time to try out another word for dog manure on his mom. I don't see either of those things as really positive developments. I do see plenty of positive developments here though. When I was preparing my notes for this report last week my wife suggested that it could go something like this: I love Guernseys, udders, udders, udders. That's what she hears when I talk about cows – udders, udders, udders. But, I decided to take part of her advice.

I Love Guernseys… and I love working with the people who choose to own them. I am proud to be a part of this organization and I am proud to work with the staff we have in Ohio and elsewhere. I feel we are promoting our strengths, attacking our weaknesses head-on and moving forward. Thank you.

Gold Star Awards

Name	City, State	# Years	# Rec	Milk	%	Fat	%	Protein	Avg Score	%Bred	%Young Sires
DOUBLE GOLD STAR BREEDER											
Spring Walk Farm	Big Prairie, OH	13	25	17,657	5.0%	875	3.2%	569	83.8	88	28
Verl Weaver	Goshen, IN	9	27	19,673	4.7%	924	3.3%	653	85.0	85	37
William Orchard	Janesville, WI	8*	34	21,688	4.2%	896	3.1%	679	83.7	100	24
Trotacre Farm	Enon Valley, PA	8	19	20,001	4.6%	906	3.4%	669	82.7	79	32
Walnut Ridge Farm	Middletown, MD	8	50	17,993	5.2%	937	3.5%	622	82.5	77	38
Wesley Clark	Viola, WI	5	17	23,756	4.6%	1077	3.1%	737	84.2	88	53
Craig & Nathan Church	Cresco, IA	4	78	19,389	4.5%	856	3.3%	627	82.8	92	26
Joan Oberhaus	Waukesha, WI	2	13	21,928	4.5%	972	3.3%	726	86.6	92	23
GOLD STAR BREEDER											
Dennis Nelson	Hilmar, CA	27	64	18,708	4.5%	837	3.5%	644	81.2	94	17
Randy Knapp	Epworth, IA	17	38	20,416	4.9%	988	3.2%	658	87.6	81	14
DOUBLE GOLD STAR HERD											
Hoards Dairyman Farm	Ft. Atkinson, WI	24	243	20,119	4.8%	966	3.3%	661	81.9	43	38
Randy & Kelly Jo Peterson	Wilson, WI	6	13	19,444	5.0%	962	3.4%	658	87.2	57	71
Coulee Crest LLC	Cashton, WI	3	44	21,326	5.0%	1056	3.4%	712	80.1	71	34

National Guernsey Youth Awards

Kirstie Langrehr (left) was the National Outstanding Youth Runner-Up while Thomas McCarty was the winner. Kirstie also received a Jr. Production Award and was named a Junior Gold Star Breeder.

National Guernsey Queen Contestants (l-r): Front row: Brooke Vander Veen, 2010 National Queen; Rachel Manning, 2011 National Queen; Jade Jensen, 2011 National Princess; Ashlee Dietz, 2010 National Princess. Back Row: Autumn Henning, PA; Shelby Britton, IN; Sarah Brauen, MN; Erin Monica, NY; Kim Lakey, WI; Vanessa Dinderman, IL; Elizabeth Kayser, WA.

The American Guernsey Association is justifiably proud of its Junior Members. Over 100 of them were in attendance in Illinois for the National Convention. Winners of convention contests as well as other Junior recognition programs were revealed at the Youth Banquet on June 26.

Outstanding Guernsey Youth

Six finalists competed for the title of National Outstanding Guernsey Youth, the highest honor bestowed upon a Junior member. Thomas McCarty of Hughesville, Pennsylvania, is the 2011 winner. He recently graduated from Morrisville (NY) State College and is involved in his family's dairy farm. He was the high individual in the 2010 National Postsecondary Dairy Cattle Judging Contest and has exhibited several Junior All-American nominees. Kirstie Langrehr of West Salem, Wisconsin, is the Runner-Up. She lives on her family's Lang Haven Dairy, a well-known name in Guernsey circles and has exhibited several Jr. All-American nominees herself. She is a sophmore at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls. Full information about all six finalists was published in the May issue of the *Guernsey Breeders' Journal.*

National Guernsey Queen Contest

Nine extremely qualified young ladies competed for the title of National Guernsey Queen or Princess during the National Convention. Rachel Manning of Huntingtown, Maryland, was named "Miss Congeniality" by her fellow contestants. She also impressed the judges as she is the 2011 National Guernsey Queen. Rachel attends West Virginia University. Jade Jensen of Conway, Missouri, was named 2011 National Guernsey Princess. She will be attending Missouri Southern State University in the fall.

Scholarship Winners Announced

The National Guernsey Youth Scholarship is a $750 award given annually by the AGA Youth Fund to a Junior member pursuing a college degree. Karen Anderson of Lester Prairie, Minnesota, is the 2011 winner. She is a student at the University of Minnesota.

The $500 Seth and Genevieve Schnebly Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually in memory of longtime Guernsey enthusiasts from Maryland. It is given to a Junior member that has been active at National Guernsey Conventions. Brooke Vander Veen or Everson, Washington, is the 2011 winner. She is a student at Washington State University.

The Max Dawdy Scholarship is given annually to honor Max Dawdy, a pioneer in breed progress. The $750 scholarship is funded by the former Western Guernsey Sires group. Mathew Jansen of Forest Grove, Oregon, is the 2011 recipient. He is a student at Oregon State University.

The Turley Scholarship is a $500 gift given annually to honor two of the most enthusiastic supporters of Guernsey Cows you will find, Ralph and Martha Turley. The winner must have exhibited at a National Junior Guernsey Show. Betsy McKenna of Albion, New York, a student at Cornell University, is the 2011 winner.

Quiz Bowl Contest

Six teams participated in the Junior Quiz Bowl Contest. Wisconsin, Florida, Illinois, Maryland, North Carolina and Pennsylvania were all represented. The Illinois team was the winner. The coach was Melissa Irwin and team members included Lauren Robison, Emily Irwin, Brock Irwin and Jordan Oellerich. Melissa Kohler coached the

Karen Anderson of Minnesota received the $750 AGA Youth Scholarship presented by Jason Vander Veen.

Brooke Vander Veen, the 2010 National Guernsey Queen, received the Seth & Genevieve Schnebly Scholarship. She also was the Sr. Division Essay Contest winner.

Betsey McKenna of New York received the $500 Turley Scholarship presented by Ashlee Dietz.

The winning Senior Quiz Bowl team from Ohio (l-r) Ashlee Dietz, Amber Dietz, Robin Alden and Dan Grim. Levi Plocher, not pictured, was also a member of the team.

The winning Junior Quiz Bowl team was from the host state of Illinois. (l-r) Lauren Robison, Brock Irwin, Jordan Oellerich, Emily Irwin. Emily Irwin was named the MVP of the Junior Division.

second-place Pennsylvania team made up of Sandra Krone, Joel Leise, Dalan Ealy and Samantha Klingler.

The Senor Division boasted 9 teams from Washington, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, Florida, Illinois, North Carolina and Ohio. The winning team, from Ohio, was coached by Bonnie Ayars and consisted of Amber Dietz, Ashlee Dietz, Dan Grim, Levi Plocher and Robin Alden. The second place team hailed from Pennsylvania and was coached by Melissa Kohler. Team members included Kyle Sollenberger, Tanner Walason, Cassandra Musser and Spencer Weimer.

Public Speaking Contest

Seventeen Junior members competed in the Prepared Public Speaking Contest demonstrating outstanding speaking ability, poise and knowledge of their subject.

The Junior Division was won by Lauren Robison of Illinois. Second place went to Christa Ealy followed by Macy Walason, both of Pennsylvania.

The Intermediate Division was won by Cara Trotter of Pennsylvania. Second palce went to Matthew Leise of Pennsylvania with third going to Jenny McKenna of New York.

The Senior Division of the contest was won by Betsey McKenna of New York. Second place went to Rachel Manning of Maryland with Jade Jensen of Missouri in third.

Extemporaneous Speech Contest

Eight gifted young people competed in the Extemporaneous Public Speaking Contest. These youth were given a topic just 30 minutes prior to presenting their speech. Macy Walason of Pennsylvania was victorious in Junior Division. Jenny McKenna of New York won the Intermediate Division. Jamie Trotter of Pennsylvania placed second with Savannah Ropp of Illinois in third. Robin Alden of Ohio won the Senior Division. Brooke Vander Veen of Washington placed second and Betsey McKenna of New York placed third.

Folding Display Contest

The Folding Display Contest encourages youth the promote the Guernsey or Dairy industry through a freestanding cardboard folding display that can be used at fairs and other events to educate the public. There are three divisions in the contest. The Junior Division had 13 entries: 1st Joel Leise, PA – "Top 10 Reasons I Love Guernseys"; 2nd Destiny Fennell, FL – "Johnes Disease"; 3rd Garrett Greaves, FL – "Why Guernseys?" The Intermediate Division had 9 entries: 1st Matthew Leise, PA – "Johnes"; 2nd Brooke McCullough, PA – "Organic Dairy"; 3rd – Austin Knapp, IA "Perfecto Match". The Senior Division had 3 entries for a total of 25 folding displays that lined the main hallway for the hotel during convention. 1st Brooke Vander Veen, WA "Milk Marketing 101"; 2nd Ashlee Dietz, OH – "Refuel with Chocolate Milk"; 3rd Maleah Smith, WA "The Anatomy of the Guernsey Udder".

Essay Contest

The Essay Contest, in which youth write, in 1 to 5 typed pages, about an assigned theme, is in just its second year. Seven entries were received. Christa Ealy of Pennslyvania was the Junior Division winner. Second place went to Dalan Ealy, also of Pennsylvania, with third going to Henry Meyers of Maryland. Tanner Walason of Pennsylvania won the Intermediate Division and Brooke Vander Veen of Washington won the Senior Division.

Photo Contest

Seventeen entries were received for the very competitive Youth Photo Contest. The judges selected Tanner Walason of Pennsylvania as the winner. Austin Knapp of Iowa placed second but received the most votes from convention attendees and received the People's Choice Award. Amber Dietz of Ohio placed third.

Guernsey Gold Production Contest

The Guernsey Gold Production Contest allows youth to add top quality Guernsey genetics to their herds while competing for

Kyle Sollenberger of Pennsylvania was named the Senior Quiz Bowl Contest MVP.

The winners of the Junior Division of the Prepared Public Speaking Contest (l-r) Lauren Robison, Christa Ealy and Macy Walason. Macy also placed first in the Junior Division of the Extemporaneous Public Speaking contest.

The winners of the Intermediate Division of the Prepared Public Speaking Contest (l-r) Cara Trotter, Matthew Leise and Jenny McKenna.

The winners of Senior Division of the Prepared Public Speaking Contest (l-r) Betsey McKenna, Rachel Manning and Jade Jensen.

The winners of the Intermediate Division of the Extemporaneous Public Speaking Contest (l-r) Jenny McKenna, Jamie Trotter and Savannah Ropp.

The winners of the Senior Division of the Extemporaneous Public Speaking Contest (l-r) Robin Alden, Betsey McKenna and Brooke Vander Veen.

cash prizes. The heifers being honored in 2011 were purchased by Junior Members in 2008, in sales throughout the country. Sale managers donated 15% of the selling price of each heifer into a jackpot. The heifers are ranked on their mature equivalent protein record on their first lactation. The 2011 winners are: 1st Place: Wilsonview Hazelnut Rescue 24,281M 1,110F 814P, Charlie Oberhaus, Waukesha, WI - $2,130; 2nd Place: Rollandia Challenge Praise 17,372M 877F 607P, Jordan Jensen, Amery, WI - $1598; 3rd Place: Pine Grove Challenge Robin 13,784M 607F 436P, Kristin Gallagher, Sangerfield, NY - $1065; 4th Place: Coteau Hills Louie Naomi 12,027M 532F 355P, Jade Jensen, Conway, MO - $533.

Junior Gold Star Breeders

Junior Gold Star breeder certificates are awarded to youth who are the breeder of an animal that is scored above the breed average and has a December 2010 yield deviation over 1,000M or 50F.

Jaci Peterson, WI - Misty Meadows Fayette Babette & Misty Meadows Adacka Pixie; Bethany Trotter, PA -Trotacre Good Guy Mariah; Kirstie Langrehr, WI - Lang Haven Neon Kiss; Patrick Fendrick, MD - Woodbourne Mentor Jingle; Lauren Woloohojian, RI - Wee Acres Spider Clarabell.

National Junior Production Awards

Any cow owned by an AGA Junior member that has completed a lactation in 2010 was eligible for National Junior Production Awards. The top five cows for milk, fat and protein are recognized as well as the top five groups of 3 cows.

Misty Meadows Neon Libby
30,451M 1,402F 929P
1st for milk, 4th for fat, 3rd for protein
Jaci Peterson, WI

Phil Aud Regis Daze
28,265M 1,356F 1,017P
2nd for milk, 5th for fat, 1st for protein
Emily Hellendrung, WI

Three Brooks Ron Rawanda
25,900M 1,559F 936P
1st for fat, 2nd for protein
Patrick Fendrick, MD

Misty Meadows Tillers Roseta
27,530M 1,222F 782P
3rd for milk
Jaci Peterson, WI

Flambeau Manor Tiller Anita
26,810M 1,430F 905P
4th for milk, 3rd for fat, 4th for protein
Jaci Peterson, WI

Lang Haven Northern Dynamic
26,304M 1,167F 830P
5th for milk
Kirstie Langrehr, WI

Junior Division Folding Display Contest Winners (l-r) Destiny Fennell, Garrett Greaves, Joel Leise.

Intermediate Division Folding Display Winners (l-r) Matthew Leise, Brooke McCullough, Austin Knapp.

Senior Division Folding Display Winners (l-r) Maleah Smith, Ashlee Dietz, Brooke Vander Veen.

Winners of the Junior Division Essay Contest (l-r) Christa Ealy, Dalan Ealy and Henry Myers.

The winner of the Photo Contest was Tanner Walason. He was also the Intermediate Division winner of the Essay Contest.

2nd place in the Photo Contest and the People's Choice Award went to Austin Knapp. Austin also received a Jr. Production Award.

3rd place in the Photo Contest went to Amber Dietz (left).

Jordan Jensen (center) took home a check for $1597 for second place in the Guernsey Gold Production Contest

Jade Jensen (left) placed fourth in the Guernsey Gold Production Contest and earned $532.

Emily Hellendrung (left) received a Jr. Production Award

Samantha Klingler (left) received a Jr. Production Award

Woodbourne Mentor Jingle
17,310M 1,441F 631P
2nd for fat
Patrick Fendrick, MD

Hershys Legacy Bambie Fawn
26,210M 1,215F 892P
5th for protein
Andrew Liggett, PA

The Group of Three Cows Award is given to the top five groups of three cows for milk, fat and protein. This year's recipients are:

Jaci Peterson, Wisconsin
1st for milk, 2nd for fat, 2nd for protein
Average: 28,264M 1,351F 872P
Flambeau Manor Tiller Anita, Misty Meadows Tillers Roseta, Misty Meadows Neon Libby

Emily Hellendrung, Wisconsin
2nd for milk, 3rd for fat, 1st for protein
Average: 24,240M 1,214F 878P
Phil Aud Regis Daze, Phil Aud Aliance Dare, Phil Aud RO Dutchess

Austin Knapp, Iowa
3rd for milk, 5th for fat
Average: 23,563M 1,044F 693P
Knapps Goldprint Monte Margareto, Wilgenbusch Mr America Trisha, Pleasant View Mr America Que

Bethany Trotter, Pennsylvania
4th for milk, fat and protein
Average: 23,550M 1,048F 762P
Trotacre Good Guy Lupi, Windsong Glacier Marybeth, Trotacre Good Guy Mariah

Samantha Klingler, Pennsylvania
5th for milk, 5th for protein
Average: 22,172M 1,013F 708P
WR Meadows Valiant Cloe, Worthington Vilter Veronica, WR Meadows Deemand KitKat

Patrick Fendrick, Maryland
1st for fat, 3rd for protein
Average: 21,627M 1,391F 789P
Anovadales Stardust Crabcake, Three Brooks Ron Rawanda, Woodbourne Mentor Jingle

National Dairy Shrine Announces 2011 Award & Scholarship Winners

National Dairy Shrine (NDS) is pleased to announce the winners of the Graduate Dairy Production, Progressive Dairy Producer, Pioneer, Distinguished Dairy Cattle Breeder, and Guest of Honor awards for this year. These awards were designed to honor dairy industry leaders that have or will contribute to strengthening and enlivening the dairy industry.

Steven Larson is the Guest of Honor, the highest award from the National Dairy Shrine. This award goes to an individual that has had a dramatic impact on the dairy industry and its future. Steven Larson served as Managing Editor of Hoard's Dairyman and helped establish dairy policy through his written editorials on national and international dairy policy, milk marketing, dairy product promotion, feeding and nutrition, mastitis and herd health, and dairy cattle breeding. He is a well respected and recognized individual whose positive impact on the dairy industry cannot be overstated.

The NDS Distinguished Dairy Cattle breeder is William H. Peck from Schuylerville, NY. Peck's farm Welcome Stock has national and international recognition in producing quality and sought after cattle. Peck has also served on several New York and national boards and committees, such as Holstein Association USA Board of Directors and New York State Agricultural Society Member and Director. He has shown great leadership abilities and the insight to use innovative breeding ideas.

The National Dairy Shrine announces the winners of their scholarships for 2011. The scholarships will be presented at the Awards Banquet at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison, Wisconsin on October 6th. National Dairy Shrine will provide more than $40,000 of scholarship awards to students at that event. Following are those earned by AGA Junior Members:

NDS Student Recognition Awards

The NDS student recognition program recognizes graduating seniors planning a career related to the dairy industry who have demonstrated outstanding leadership skills, academic ability, and a sincere interest in dairy cattle. Each university is allowed to nominate up to two candidates for this recognition in any given year. Winners receive $1000 awards. One of the winners is Ashley Sears from South Deerfield, Massachusetts, who is a Business and Dairy Science major at Cornell University. She hails from Indian Acres, a farm name well-known to most Guernsey breeders.

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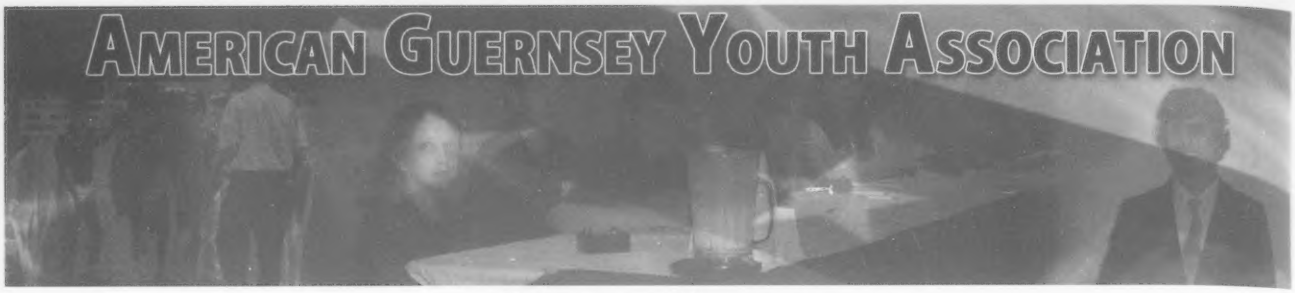

Advisors Message

Dear Guernsey Enthusiasts,

It is hard to believe that August is now in full swing. It seems like just yesterday, we were all together celebrating the Guernsey cow at the national convention in Illinois. Convention was a true example of youth excellence. The young Guernsey enthusiasts raised the bar as they excelled in public speaking, quiz bowl, and the folding display contests. Youth also utilized their past Guernsey experiences as they competed for the scholarships and the highest honor a Guernsey youth can receive, Outstanding Guernsey Youth. We can be proud of the intelligence and passion that our youth have for the Guernsey cow and the dairy industry.

Another highlight for convention was the outstanding generosity at the National Youth Fun Auction. This year, the National Youth Fun Auction raised $12,662 to be used for youth activities and scholarships.

One of the greatest feelings in the world came on the last day of the Guernsey convention. The sale was filled with cattle with strong, deep pedigrees giving many the opportunities to improve their herds with new genetics. This opportunity was a dream come true for one young boy named Woody Springer of Missouri who wanted to buy a Guernsey calf. Woody was overwhelmed with happiness when his named was called as the winner of the Raffle Calf from Marodore Farm in Ohio.

Now that we are all settled back into the day chores on the farm, we take time to prepare our best cattle for the upcoming shows. This year, challenge yourself to accomplish a few things while at the fair. Number one, take time to talk with fellow cattle breeders about what works best for them to see if you can utilize some of the ideas to improve your own farms. Number two, strengthen friendships that will last a lifetime by attending youth events and giving congratulations where it is needed. Number three, utilize the opportunity to talk to the public about what you do on your farms to help to educate them about the Guernsey cow and the dairy industry.

Finally, I would like to say thank you to all the Guernsey breeders for always encouraging me over the years. It truly is an honor for me to be one to the National Guernsey Youth Advisors. The future of the Guernsey breed is in the good hands of our outstanding youth.

Sincerely,
Karen Anderson

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Scholarships

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Kildee Scholarship Awards
Lindsey Rucks of Okeechobee, Florida, has been selected as the 2011 recipient of the Kildee Undergraduate Studies Scholarship. She is currently attending the University of Florida, majoring in Agriculture Education and Communication with an emphasis in Leadership Development. Her goal is to be a promoter of the dairy industry and to be a breeder of purebred dairy cattle. Ms. Rucks is also currently employed by Purebred Publishing as an Ad Sales specialist.

NDS/DMI Milk Marketing Scholarships
These generous scholarships are made possible by Dairy Management Inc. and NDS to encourage students to pursue careers in dairy product marketing. Rachel Manning from Huntingtown, Maryland, is attending West Virginia University as an Agriculture and Extension Education major. Rachel is the 2011 National Guernsey Queen.

Klussendorf/McKown Scholarship Winners
Karen Anderson of Lester Prairie, Minnesota, Lindsey Rucks from Okeechobee, Florida, and Rachel Manning of Huntingtown, Maryland have been named 2011 Klussendorf Association Scholarship Award winners. These $2000 scholarships are awarded by the National Dairy Shrine and funded by Klussendorf member, Chris Kampf, and through gifts from fund raisers by the Klussendorf Association.

The Robert McKown Scholarship winners receive a $2000 scholarship in honor of "Whitey" McKown, a long time supporter of the Holstein breed and National Dairy Cattle Shows. These scholarships are made possible by generous donations from the friends of Robert "Whitey" McKown. One of this year's winners is Matt Henkes from Luana, Iowa. Matt has owned and shown Guernseys since 2008.

The annual National Dairy Shrine Awards Banquet will be held in Madison, Wisconsin, October 6th. For more information about the students being recognized by National Dairy Shrine or tickets for the awards Banquet, contact Executive Director, Dr. David Selner at info@dairyshrine.org or 920-863-6333. National Dairy Shrine membership information also is available on the internet at www.dairyshrine.org. Dairy enthusiasts are encouraged to become a part of this important organization to help honor our heritage, inspire future leaders, and promote the dairy industry.

Farewell from the 2010 National Queen

Brooke Vander Veen

My Guernsey Friends,

Thank you for the sincere honor of serving you this past year as your 2010 National Guernsey Queen. The memories, experiences, and friendships made throughout this year will never be forgotten; you have made these opportunities possible. Between representing you at the four national Guernsey shows, making appearances at local events in Washington, touring with the World Guernsey Conference members, and even riding atop a fire truck with the crown and banner on, the message of the Guernsey breed has reached people around the world.

Congratulations to each of the young ladies who competed for National Guernsey Queen at the National Convention in Illinois. You each are excellent promoters of our breed, and I have full faith in your future endeavors within our breed and industry. Rachel and Jade, enjoy every moment of this next year as you represent your fellow Guernsey breeders!

Thank you to the American Guernsey Association for this opportunity and continual support in my endeavors. As Guernsey breeders, we are blessed to have an Association made up of such dedicated individuals and a variety of activities available to us as members. I would encourage the Guernsey youth to gain involvement in the many contests hosted by our Association, from showmanship and production contests to public speaking and quiz bowl. Accomplishments are most fondly earned when one leaves their comfort zone to try something new and become knowledgeable in a new activity. The skills gained and people who are met along the way leave indefinable memories. My Guernsey journey has been laced with new opportunities, new challenges, and new learning experiences as I continue to advocate for the Guernsey breed while striving to grow my own Guernsey herd. Whether the outcome is immediately favorable or not, a learning opportunity can always be found in one's activities. But before you can grow your potential, you must stretch yourself to reach goals that were only dreamed of being attainable. The role of National Guernsey Queen might be one of these for you, or perhaps placing high in a showmanship contest. Believe in yourself and just try it out!

No matter our age or level of experience, we can each gain insight from involvement in various activities. Adult Guernsey members can be influential in helping to judge youth contests or assisting youth members in preparing their Guernseys for a show. Stepping out to make a difference and taking the time to hear someone's Guernsey story are beneficial to all. Experimenting with technology and new techniques broaden our mindsets and allow us to fully experience our developing world. As a Guernsey Association, we must continue to step out and stand out in our journey to promote our Guernsey breed.

Serving you, my Guernsey family, this past year has become an accomplishment that I had previously never imagined. Thank you for your support, encouragement, and unforgettable memories. The memories will only increase as I continue to forever serve our Guernsey breed as a true advocate. The potential of my Guernsey journey has only been made possible because of you – thank you.

Love,
Brooke
2010 National Guernsey Queen

Introducing the 2011 Guernsey Queen

Rachel Manning

Dear Readers:

I am honored to have been selected as the 2011 National Guernsey Queen! I represented the state of Maryland at the recent National Guernsey Convention, and was pleased to meet the other young women who represented their states in the National Guernsey Queen Contest. The future of the Guernsey breed will continue to be bright with the enthusiasm and active involvement of these young ambassadors from each state.

I live on a small farm in Huntingtown, Maryland, with my parents, David and Marilyn Manning, and a younger sister and brother. I was very active in the 4-H youth development program for twelve years, and I raised and exhibited a variety of both market and breeding livestock (sheep, goats, hogs, beef cattle, and dairy cows). I exhibited my livestock at four Southern Maryland county fairs, and the Maryland State Fair. Although my first dairy cow was a Milking Devon (a heritage breed originally from Great Britain), I quickly asked to raise a Guernsey! I enjoyed the Guernsey breed, and raised replacement heifers for several of the Amish farmers in our area.

I am currently a senior student at West Virginia University, majoring in Agriculture and Extension Education with a minor in Agribusiness. I am active at WVU where I am President of the Dairy Science Club, President of Collegiate Farm Bureau, and Treasurer of Sigma Alpha Sorority. I also serve on the university's dairy judging team, and enjoy offering my evaluations of different dairy cows. In the dairy science club, I have had the opportunity to attend The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto, Canada, participate in the ADSA-Student Affiliate Meeting in Gainsville, Florida, and attend the Alltech's International Animal Health and Nutrition Industry' Symposium in Lexington, Kentucky.

I have been active in the Maryland Guernsey Breeder's Association ever since I purchased my first Guernsey heifer eight years ago. I have met many enthusiastic Guernsey breeders throughout Maryland, and look forward to learning from many more throughout the United States. I hope to travel to several state fairs to attend the dairy shows, share my knowledge and experiences, and expand the awareness of the benefits of the Guernsey breed. I'm excited to serve the American Guernsey Association as the 2011 National Guernsey Queen, and hope to meet other fellow Guernsey breeders!

Rachel Manning
2011 National Guernsey Queen
Huntingtown, Maryland

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Convention Excitement!

Brooke McCullough
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Intermediate Division

Christa Ealy
1st Jr. Essay Contest
2nd Jr. Public Speaking

Dalan Ealy
2nd Place Jr. Quiz Bowl
Team Member
2nd Jr. Essay Contest

Thank you to the Hartmann Family and the Illinois GBA for all your hard work in putting together a great National Guernsey Convention!

Recent Classification Highlights!

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CONGRATULATIONS

to Brooke Vander Veen, winner of the 2011 Schnebly Memorial Scholarship.

and to Rachel Manning on being named the 2011 National Guernsey Queen. Rachel purchased one of her first Guernseys from us!

THANK YOU

to the Illinois Guernsey Breeders Association for putting on an outstanding convention!

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National Convention Sale

The National Convention Sale was held on June 27 at the Bond County Fairgrounds in Greenville, Illinois. 43 live animals and choices combined for an astounding average of $4,586. 61 embryos sold in 13 packages for an average of $515 each. Truly a collection of the best in the breed, the animals came from 16 different states and Canada. Buyers hailed from 12 different states.

National Sale High Seller (l-r): Stan Chupp, Bob Griggs, Blaine Crosser, Mark Erdman and Dale Chupp, sale staff; Rachel Manning, National Guernsey Queen; Austin Knapp on the halter; Brian Dinderman, consignor; Jade Jensen, National Guernsey Princess; Fowler Branstetter, contending bidder; Alaina and Kristi Dinderman, consignors; Bonnie and John Ayars, buyers.

The top seller, and the cow that everyone was talking about leading up to the sale, was Adams Creek Regal Dancer, EX-92. Dancer, the 2009 HM All-American Jr. 2-Year-Old, is sired by Friendship Regal-ET. Her dam was a VG-85 daughter of Rozelyn Patmar Jay Glacier-ET with a top record over 920F. Dancer was fresh last November and looks ready to walk the colored shavings this fall. She is a wide, powerful cow with a fantastic quality udder that is very well attached. She sold with 3 embryos sired by Land of Living RO Levi-ET and went to Land of Living Farm in Mechanicsburg, Ohio, for $17,700. Style-Crest Dairy of Kentucky was the contending bidder. She was consigned by Brian and Kristie Dinderman of Orangeville, Illinois.

Next out of the gate was the 2010 All-American Spring Calf, Moziers Spider Angelique-ET. This daughter of Coulee Crest Luxury Spider-ET sold for $12,000 to David, May and Jason Henisee of Mt. Joy, Pennsylvania. Sporting the best frame in her class at the big shows last year, she doesn't seem to have missed a beat and is still tall, long and powerful. Her dam was an unscored Tiller backed by a VG-85 cow out of a VG Option that is a full sister to the dam of Moziers Lux Anne of Lavon Farm, EX-92, the Louisville Grand Champion in 2007. The heifer was consigned by Dr. John Mozier of Louisburg, Kansas.

The third high seller at $11,000 was Maplehurst Magicman Bathsheba-ET, a fresh Sr. 2-Year-Old that had garnered her own significant pre-sale publicity. Scored VG-88 in Canada just before the sale, this young cow is tall and long with plenty of strength and a picture-perfect rump. Her sire is Four Winds Magicman-ET and she is from a VG-88 JB daughter with over 900F. The next dam was EX-90, Grand Champion at the Royal Winter Fair and has an All-American cow among her offspring. The next two dams are both EX including one of the most celebrated brood cows of all time – Laeschland TS Biddy, EX-94. Bathsheba was consigned by Maplehurst Farm of Lynden, Ontario, Canada, and purchased by Leroy, Jacob, Nicholas and Tom Kipp of Hazel Green, Wisconsin.

National Sale Second High Seller: (l-r) Stan Chupp and Bob Griggs, sale staff; Rachel Manning, National Guernsey Queen; Dale Chupp, sale staff; Jim Trotter representing the buyer; Tyler Chupp on the halter; Jade Jensen, National Guernsey Princess; Dr. John Mozier, consignor; Blaine Crosser, sale staff.

The high selling embryo lot was consigned by Knapp's Guernseys of Epworth, Iowa, and consisted of six embryos sired by Marodore Enhancer Regis-ET. The dam is Knapps Ace Tamera, EX-91, with over 1,040F. The next dam was an EX-93 Luxury with almost 1,200F and over 150,000M. The embryos are full siblings to the 2010 All-American Jr. 2-Year-Old Knapps Regis Tambourine-ET, VG-89. They were purchased for $625 each by Snider Homestead of New Enterprise, Pennsylvania.

The sale was managed by Guernsey Marketing Service and the Illinois GBA. Kevin Hartmann of Hartdale Guernseys served as the Sale Chairman. Mike Hickman headed the sale crew with Chris Reichard, Tony Netemeyer, Joe, and Josh preparing the cattle for the sale. Cindy and Maria Chupp clerked the sale. Stan Chupp handled the gavel with Blaine Crosser making pedigree announcements. Bob Griggs, Mark Erdman and Dale Chupp took bids from the large crowd.

Complete List of Buyers and Prices:

Adams Creek Regal Dancer (06/07) $17,700
Sire: Friendship Regal-ET
B: Land of Living, Mechanicsburg, OH
C: Brian & Kristi Dinderman, Orangeville, IL

Moziers Spider Angelique (03/10) $12,000
Sire: Coulee Crest Luxury Spider-ET
B: David, May & Jason Henisee, Mt. Joy, PA
C: Dr. John Mozier, Louisburg, KS

Maplehurst Magicman Bathsheba-ET (12/08)
Sire: Four Winds Magicman-ET **$11,000**
B: Leroy, Jacob, Nicholas and Tom Kipp, Hazel Green, WI
C: Maplehurst Farm, Lynden, Ont.

Up The Creek Showtime Nicola (06/10) $7100
Sire: Four Winds Showtime-ET
B: P. Morey Miller, Granby, CT
C: Karen Anderson, Lester Prairie, MN

1st Choice from Coulee Crest Nick Lorilyn $6500
Sire: Sniders Deemand Adacka-ET
B: Lauren Robison, Mulberry Grove, IL
C: Coulee Crest LLC, Cashton, WI

Adams Creek Morey Olympia (09/10) $6000
Sire: Adams Creek Regal Morey-ET
B: Friendship Farm, Millbrook, NY
C: Adams Creek Farm, Bangor, WI

Faria Farms Mentor Nala-ET (01/11) $5500
Sire: Mar Ral Royal Mentor
B: Adams Creek Farm, Bangor, WI
C: Faria Farms, Escalon, CA

Coulee Crest Nick Jillian-ET (01/11) $5500
Sire: Lang Haven Tiller Nick-ET
B: Friendship, Erdman & Meyers, Chenoa, IL
C: Coulee Crest LLC, Cashton, WI

Millborne Hillpoint S Hannah-ET (9/10) $5300
Sire: Coulee Crest Luxury Spider-ET
B: Sydney Willingham, Gamaliel, KY
C: Millborne & City Slickers, Cross Plains, WI

1st Choice from Lang Haven Tiller Nevaeh-ET
Sire: Grumpy or Carter **$5300**
B: Lauren Mohr, Normal, IL
C: Lang Haven, West Sale, WI

1st Choice from Lang Haven Les Nicolette-ET
Sire: Alstar or Prada **$5200**
B: Ripley Farms, Cortland, NY
C: Lang Haven, West Salem, WI

Hickman Valleys Sid Sweetie (12/10) **$5000**
Sire: Hickman Valleys Petie Sid
B: Haley Baird, Big Prairie, OH
C: Makayla Hickman, Shelbyville, TN

Lone Acres S Caitlin (10/08) **$5000**
Sire: Coulee Crest R O Silverado-ET
B: Spring Walk Farm, Big Prairie, OH
C: Griggs, Estes & Chupps, Inola, OK

Toolite Sashas M Shisha (09/10) **$4500**
Sire: Spring Walk Sherberts Mint
B: Charlie Oberhaus, Waukesha, WI
C: Richard Tooley, Granville, NY

Hartdale Regal Twinkie (03/11) **$4200**
Sire: Friendship Regal-ET
B: Claude Brunson, Heflin, LA
C: Lauren Robison, Mulberry Grove, IL

Faria Farms Carter Nevaeh-ET (12/10) **$4100**
Sire: Ripley Farms Mr A Carter-ET
B: Lauren & Trey McDonald, Hartland, WI
C: Faria Farms, Escalon, CA

Hearts Desire Adacka Pansy (09/10) **$4100**
Sire: Sniders Deemand Adacka-ET
B: Jacob Roedl, Edgewood, IL
C: Donette Fisher, New Enterprise, PA

1st Choice from Idle Gold Spider Charlotte
Sire: Yogibear or Blue Spruce **$4100**
B: Fritsche & Sievert, New Ulm, MN
C: Ripley Farms, Cortland, NY

Sniders Les Dalynn (12/10) **$4000**
Sire: Flambeau Manor Tiller Les-ET
B: Jeff Biddle, Boalsburg, PA
C: Snider Homestead, New Enterprise, PA

Ripley Farms A Coni Desirae (10/10) **$4000**
Sire: Sniders Option Aaron-ET
B: Jordan Jensen, Amery, WI
C: Ripley Farm, Cortland, NY

Misty Meadows Hillpoint Ad Linda-ET (4/11)
Sire: Sniders Deemand Adacka-ET **$4000**
B: Lindsey Bros. & Roger Bastert, Bismarck, IL
C: R. Peterson & City Slickers, Cross Plains, WI

1st Choice from L.H. Aaron Treasure (10/11)
Sire: Jens Gold C Blue Spruce-ET **$3900**
B: Dr. Joe Piskorowski, Ithaca, NY
C: Ripley Farms, Cortland, NY

Wagners Director Aloha (02/11) **$3800**
Sire: Villa Crest GH Director
B: Paige Chupp, Inola, OK
C: Lily Lane & Chupp Farm, Yukon, OK

6 Embryos from Knapps Ace Tamera **$3750**
Sire: Marodore Enhancer Regis-ET
B: Snider Homestead, New Enterprise, PA
C: Knapps Guernseys, Epworth, IA

Chupps Hillpoint Kringle Embers-ET (12/10)
Sire: Chupps Hillpoint Gdust Kringle-ET **$3700**
B: Melinda Rushing, Yukon, OK
C: Chupps & City Slickers, Cross Plains, WI

Chupps J A Dynasty Hailey Jo (08/10) **$3700**
Sire: Chupps Farm Illiad Dynasty
B: Paige Chupp, Inola, OK
C: Fusilier Family & Chupp Farm, Inola, OK

Prairie Cream Regal Kit Kat-ET (07/09) **$3600**
Sire: Friendship Regal-ET
B: Paul Ewing, Spencerville, OH
C: Kim &Kevin Lakey, Trempealeau, WI

Eby Manor Hillpoint Skipper Wish-ET (09/10)
Sire: Coulee Crest Luxury Skipper-ET $3500
B: Trotacre Farm, Enon Valley, PA
C: City Slickers, Cross Plains, WI

Chupps Farm Luxury Dessie (09/09) **$3500**
Sire: Trotacre Jay Mr Luxury-ET
B: Robyn Suttle, Orrville, OH
C: Zach Johnson, Tunbridge, VT

6 Embryos from Knapps Ace Tamera **$3150**
Sire: Mission or Fayes Fame
B: Erdman Dairy, Chenoa, IL
C: Knapps Guernseys, Epworth, IA

Coulee Crest Tiller Rosalyn-ET (03/09) **$3100**
Sire: Trotacre Loral Tiller-ET
B: Peyton Randolph, Smithboro, IL
C: Coulee Crest LLC, Cashton, WI

Dairyman Nacho Litzy (10/10) **$3100**
Sire: Faria Farms Select Nacho-ET
B: Kim & Kevin Lakey, Trempealeau, WI
C: Hoard's Dairyman Farm, Ft. Atkinson, WI

Riverside Neapolitan Pie (09/09) **$3100**
Sire: Indian Acres American Pie
B: Alyssa & Kate Nuttleman, Bangor, WI
C: Taylor German, Cushing, OK

Pine Grove Q Royal Bella (02/11) **$3000**
Sire: Pine Grove Quebec Royal
B: Jeff Biddle, Boalsburg, PA
C: Reuben Miller, Sugar Creek, OH

Adams Creek Mitchell Marie (03/11) **$3000**
Sire: Adams Creek Nick Mitchell
B: Lauren & Trey McDonald, Hartland, WI
C: Adams Creek Farm, Bangor, WI

Omalley Hillpoint Skipper Chile-ET (6/10) **$3000**
Sire: Coulee Crest Luxury Skipper-ET
B: Jeff Biddle, Boalsburg, PA
C: City Slickers, Cross Plains, WI

Coulee Crest C Joanna-ET (12/08) **$3000**
Sire: Idle Gold E Challenge-ET
B: Doug Wagner, Marissa, IL
C: Walnut Corner Farm, Bismarck, IL

Rolling Prairie K Pixel (03/11) **$2900**
Sire: Wesgray Legacy Kaptain-ET
B: Friendship Farm, Millbrook, NY
C: Rolling Prairie, Garnavillo, IA

Coulee Crest Geo Kari-ET (03/10) **$2700**
Sire: Golden J Les Geo
B: Sarah Brauen, Foley, MN
C: Coulee Crest LLC, Cashton, WI

5 Embryos from Flambeau Manor Les Scarlett
Sire: Jensgolden Proking Royal Oak **$2625**
B: Erdman Dairy, Chenoa, IL
C: Flambeau Manor, Tony, WI

5 Embryos from Maplehurst Roger Breanne
Sire: Flambeau Manor C Lexus-ET **$2625**
B: Erdman Dairy, Chenoa, IL
C: Maplehurst Farm, Lynden, Ont.

GR-Craig Moor JT Starlet (04/10) **$2600**
Sire: Welcome JT-ET
B: Kenny McKenna, Albion, NY
C: Craig Moor Farm, N. Bangor, NY

Dairyman Daunte Ravenelle (10/10) **$2600**
Sire: Oak Knob Legacy Daunte
B: Charlie Oberhaus, Waukesha, WI
C: Hoard's Dairyman Farm, Ft. Atkinson, WI

Flambeau Manor Aaron Alanna (03/11) **$2500**
Sire: Sniders Option Aaron-ET
B: Katy Spesard, Paris, IL
C: Flambeau Manor, Tony, WI

5 Embryos from Mi Wil Tiller Malibu **$2500**
Sire: Jens Gold C Blue Spruce-ET
B: Erdman Dairy, Chenoa, IL
C: Kim Wilson, Neosho, MO

Prairie Cream Nick Bella-ET (07/09) **$2400**
Sire: Lang Haven Tiller Nick-ET
B: Peyton Randolph, Smithboro, IL
C: Kim Lakey, Trempealeau, WI

4 Embryos from Knapps Challenge Betsann
Sire: Marodore Enhancer Regis-ET **$2400**
B: Lindsey Bros. & Roger Bastert, Bismarck, IL
C: Knapps Guernseys, Epworth, IA

Goldprint Dazzler Opal (12/08) **$2200**
Sire: Chupps Farm Tiller Dazzler-ET
B: Hubert Rankin, Atlanta, IL
C: Bridges & Wylie, Shelby, NC

Boehles Kringle Lindie (01/11) **$2200**
Sire: Chupps Hillpoint Gdust Kringle-ET
B: Jordon Wagner, Marissa, IL
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Sire: Les Jaonnets Caras Conqueror **$2300**
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4 Embryos from Four Winds tiller Deserve-ET
Sire: Land of Living RO Levi-ET **$2200**
B: Junior Kronk, Elkhart, IN
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6 Embryos from Dairyman Tiller Daydream
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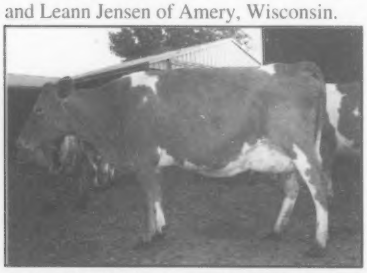
Woodale Dispersal Report

The Woodale Guernsey Dispersal was held on July 7 in Janesville, Wisconsin. 179 total head changed hands with 150 Registered Guernseys averaging $961 including an impressive crop of 15 young calves sold with dams. The herd was owned by Ron Woodman and Family.

Nicholas Kipp of Hazel Green, Wisconsin, took home a pair of fancy young cows, including the sale topper at $2600. Jaris Hills S Mary was won by the Woodman Family in the 2007 National Guernsey Youth raffle. She is a daughter of Coulee Crest Luxury Skipper-ET from a VG-87 Trumpet, then a VG-84 El Gato followed by two more VG dams.

The second high seller at $2500 was a recently fresh four year-old daughter of Rockiridge Gouda Spade. She sold to Trent and Leann Jensen of Amery, Wisconsin.



Jaris Hills S Mary was the 2007 National Guernsey Youth raffle calf and also topped the Woodale Dispersal at $2600.

Many of the animals sold were in the Guernsey Type (GT) stage of the AGA's Genetic Recovery program and resulting offspring from those cows. The herd was not on official DHI test nor had they classified in recent years. Two Excellent cows did sell in the sale.

Volume buyers included Land of Living Farm of Ohio taking home 31 head; Troy Opdahl of South Dakota claiming 10 head; Ray Beerstra of Wisconsin taking 13 head and Harry Flanagan of Wisconsin purchasing 19 head.

The sale was managed by Badger State Auction & Real Estate of Milton, Wisconsin.

Animals selling over $1450:

Nicholas Kipp, Hazel Green, WI
Jaris Hills S Mary (04/07) $2600
Sire: Coulee Crest Luxury Skipper-ET
PR-Smith Lisa (06/07) $2100
Sire: Rockiridge Gouda Spade

Trent & Leann Jensen, Amery, WI
PR-Smith Tanya (06/07) $2500
Sire: Rockiridge Gouda Spade
Woodale Rebel Allstar (02/07) $2,050
Sire: Rutter Bros Lewis Rebel

Robin Suttle, Orrville, OH
Woodale Lewis Nance (07/06) $2100
Sire: Trotacre Enhancer Lewis-ET
Woodale Rebel Yell (04/07) $1600
Sire: Rutter Bros Lewis Rebel
PR-Woodale Nick Dart (07/08) $1475
Sire: Lang Haven Tiller Nick-ET

Ed Gill, Creston, OH
PR-Smith Spade Tempo (05/07) $2000
Sire: Rockiridge Gouda Spade

Lucas & Laura Dinderman, Orangeville, IL
PR-Smith Neon Torrent (11/07) $1700
Sire: Lang Haven Luxury Neon

Troy Opdahl, Hazel, SD
Woodale Kaptain Holly (08/08) $1675
Sire: Wesgray Legacy Kaptain
PR-Woodale Lucas Lana (03/09) $1675
Sire: Flambeau Manor Option Lucas-ET
PR-Woodale Fusion Pepper (11/07) $1650
Sire: Bulin Hillpoint F Fusion-ET
PR-Woodale Regal Nancy (04/09) $1650
Sire: Friendship Regal-ET

Reza Toulabi, Chicago, IL
PR-Woodale Reward Grace (03/08)$1650
Sire: Ripley Farms Enhancer Reward-ET

Land of Living, Mechanicsburg, OH
GT-Smith Heaven (07/06) $1550
Sire: Purebred Guernsey Sire
Woodale Henry Wisper-Tw (01/09) $1475
Sire: Jens Gold Tiller Henry

A Word From Your Director

Donna Anderson

I'm Donna Anderson the newly elected Director from District V. I live in Lester Prairie, Minnesota, at Up The Creek Farm.

The convention in Illinois, (my original home state) was a huge success going by attendance, especially the number of youth that attended. Did you get to talk to them? Their enthusiasm is amazing. I know I didn't get to talk to as many people as I would have liked.

How are things going on your farm? Do you have a high production cow and/ or type cow that others should know about? I know I would like to hear about them. An ad in the *Guernsey Journal* is an excellent way to let us all know at once. These elite production and pedigreed cows and young sires are the future of our breed, just like the youth is the future of our organization.

Don't forget to DRINK MILK! and eat ice cream to help promote our products.

Road Recollections

Brian Schnebly

By the time most of you are reading this column, the August bull proofs will be old news and there will probably be many new questions that hopefully I can address in September. One thing is for certain, a lot of new data will be incorporated into the August proofs and many changes are likely to occur. At this time it is hard to predict where the bulls will land in the lineup but I can give you a feel for what I have observed.

Land of Living R O Levi-ET has a lot of daughters now fresh around the country. He also has several outstanding heifers that many people have seen this spring which will be freshening in the fall. So far his daughters show tremendous depth and openness of rib and appear to be milking extremely well. They have wide rear udders and strong udder cleft. I have also been pleased with the strength and width that his daughters display. Many of the Levi daughters, however, are mature in the udder. They are deeper in the udder and I would like to strengthen the fore and rear udder attachments.

I have now seen enough daughters of Millborne Tiller Fayes Fame that I am confident in reporting on trends that I am seeing. I will be honest, with the Tiller and Royal Oak cross I would have predicted the Fame daughters to be very tall. However I would classify them as being moderate for stature with lots of style, balance and adequate strength and width. They are very angular, clean and dairy with a good combination of strength and dairyness. The udders are very youthful and high above the hock. I like the strength of both fore and rear udder attachments and they have correct teat placement. Many of his daughters don't have super wide rear udders but I don't see that as a problem. I think they will widen as the daughters freshen more times and continue to get better with age.

The one young sire who will receive a proof in August that I am most excited about is Indian Acres American Pie-ET. I have classified nine of his daughters so far and have been very pleased with every one of them. As I am writing this column, he has a total of ten daughters classified and all of them are at least 81 points in the mammary system and only two have a final score below 80 and those are both scored 78. The American Pie daughters have great udders. They are well attached, high above the hock with correct teat size and placement and some of them are extremely fancy with veining on the udder. The Pie daughters have medium stature with balance to their frames. Occasionally, as I observed in heifers the past two years, he will have a daughter with high pins and a high tailhead. Some have lacked a little angularity and dairyness; however, breeders seem pleased with how they are milking. Feet and legs have not been as consistent as the udders; however, I would not say I am seeing a problem. Although a few of the Pie daughters have had a little more set to the hock than the breed average. It's hard to predict exactly what American Pie's production proof will look like but when you are reading this we will know. He currently has a total of 162 registered offspring so a lot will change after August but the early signs, at least to me, have been very exciting.

National Sale
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4 Embryos from Flambeau Manor Ron Laurel
Sire: Edgewater Meadows Yogibear-ET **$2000**
B: Erdman Dairy, Chenoa, IL
C: Flambeau Manor, Tony, WI

5 Embryos from Rozelyn Challenge Virginia
Sire: Golden J Les Geo **$1975**
B: Betsy Musser, Enon Valley, PA
C: Rozelyn Farm, Lynden, WA

3 Embryos from Fra Hib Malcom Jessie $1800
Sire: Four Winds Showtime-ET
B: Peg Delong, Tamworth, NH
C: Welcome Stock Farm, Hartford, NY

National Sale Third High Seller: (l-r) (l-r) Stan Chupp, Bob Griggs, Mark Erdman, Dale Chupp, sale staff; Rachel Manning, National Guernsey Queen; Makayla Hickman on the halter; Jade Jensen, National Guernsey Princess; Leroy, Jacob, Nicholas and Tom Kipp, buyers.

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To everyone who contributed to the Guernsey Youth at the National Convention by supporting the Youth Auction Fund. $12,662 was raised this year!

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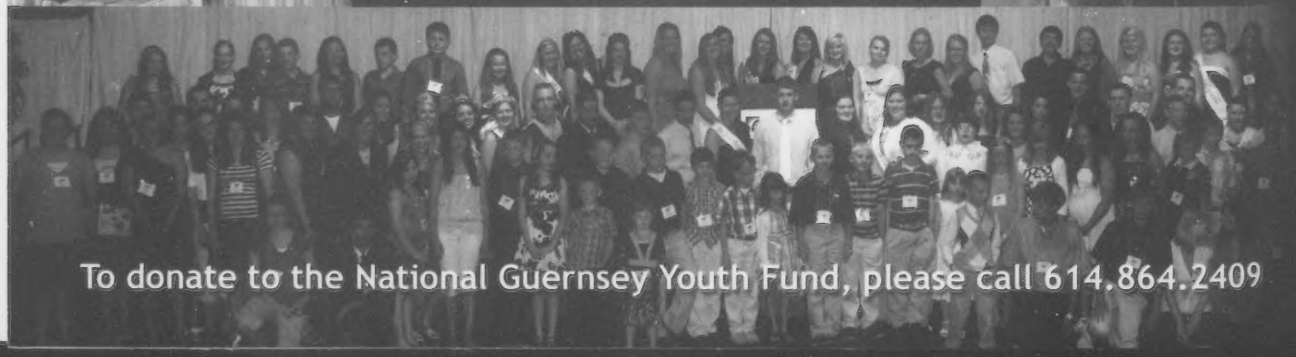
The National Youth Calf Raffle raised over $2,200. Thank you to all the youth that sold tickets and everyone that bought them. Special thanks to Marodore Farm of Ohio for housing the calf and Ripley Farms of New York for trucking her to convention. Congratulations to Woody Springer of Missouri, the proud new owner of Marodore Aarons Lindy.



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Dam (left):
CEDAR FRINGED ALTANN EX-95
Gold Star Cow
2-02 305D 19,300M 4.3% 829F 3.2% 613P
3-11 320D 23,380M 4.4% 1034F 3.1% 731P
4-10 305D 17,440M 4.8% 838F 3.3% 584P
6-04 365D 31,150M 4.8% 1486F 3.0% 941P
8-07 365D 25,830M 4.9% 1273F 3.1% 791P
Life: 168,160M 4.8% 8,035F 3.3% 5,522P
Grand Champion Madison & Harrisburg
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Full Sister (right):
SNIDERS GOLDUST ALTANNA-ET EX-91 93MS
1-11 309D 15,960M 4.4% 706F 2.8% 445P
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Patrick Fendrick
Three Brooks Ron Rawanda
25,900M 1,559F 936P
1st for fat, 2nd for protein
Woodbourne Mentor Jingle
17,310M 1,441F 631P | 2nd for fat
Group of 3 Cows
1st for fat, 3rd for protein
Average: 21,627M 1,391F 789P
National Jr. Gold Star Breeder

Henry Myers
3rd National Jr. Essay Contest

Rachel Manning
2nd Prepared Public Speaking
2011 National Guernsey Queen!

CONGRATULATIONS to our new National Guernsey Queen, Rachel Manning.

MD Youth attendees were Logan Derickson (Quiz Bowl), Dylan Hill (Quiz Bowl), Rachel Manning (Quiz Bowl, Speech), Ethan Miller (Quiz Bowl), Henry Myers (Quiz Bowl, Display, Essay), and Paul Myers (Quiz Bowl, Essay). Many thanks to our Illinois hosts.

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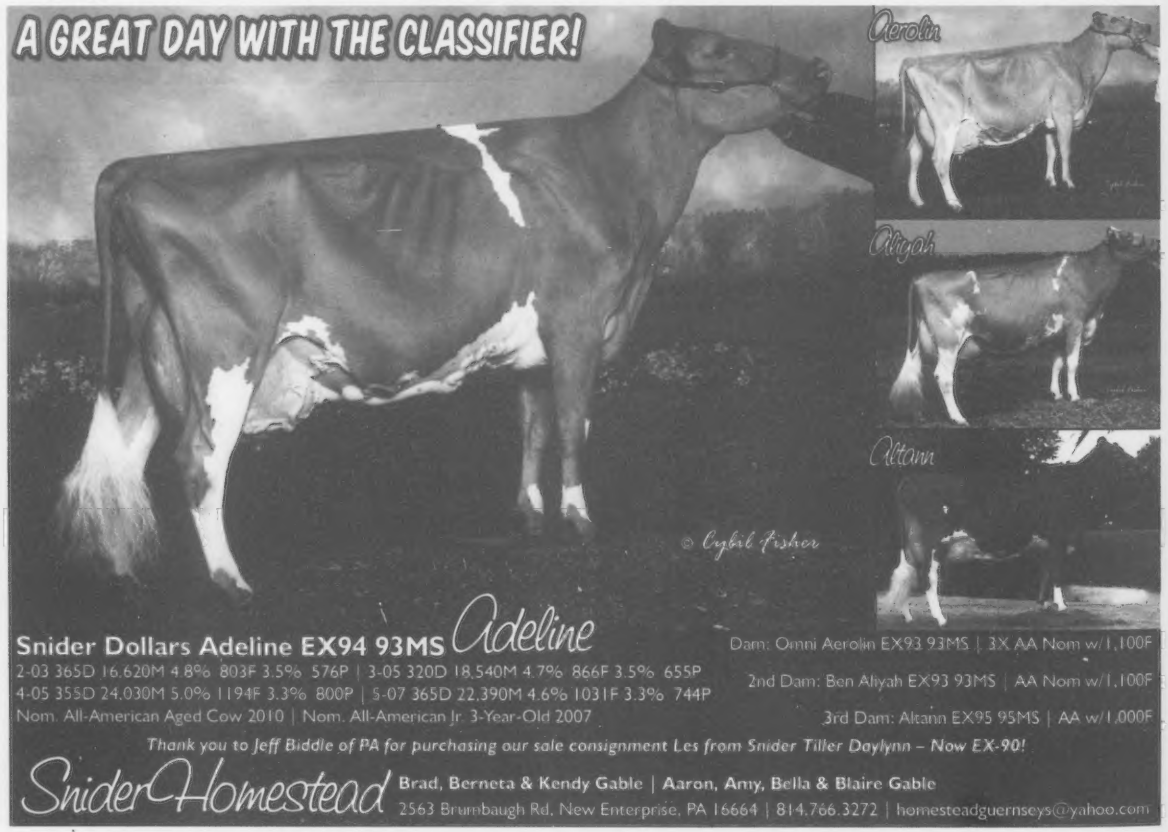

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National Convention Award Highlights

JR. PRODUCTION AWARDS

Emily Hellendrung, Phil Aud Guernseys
Phil Aud Regis Daze
2nd for milk, 5th for fat, 1st for protein
Group of 3 Cows
2nd for milk, 3rd for fat, 1st for protein
Average: 24,240M 1,214F 878P

Kirstie Langrehr, Lang Haven
Lang Haven Northern Dynamic | 5th for milk
National Jr. Gold Star Breeder
Runner-Up National Outstanding Youth

Jordan Jensen, Golden J Guernseys
2nd Place Guernsey Gold Contest:
Rollandia Challenge Praise
17,372M 877F 607P

Charlie Oberhaus, Cozy Nook Farm
1st Place Guernsey Gold Contest:
Wilsonview Hazelnut Rescue
24,281M 1,110F 814P

Jaci Peterson, Misty Meadow
Misty Meadows Neon Libby | 1st for milk, 4th for fat, 3rd for protein
Misty Meadows Tillers Roseta | 3rd for milk
Flambeau Manor Tiller Anita | 4th for milk, 3rd for fat, 4th for protein
Group of 3 Cows | 1st for milk, 2nd for fat, 2nd for protein | Average: 28,264M 1,351F 872P
National Jr. Gold Star Breeder

Wesgray Guernseys
Wesley, Grace, Darrel, Jen & Spencer Clark
Top Herd for Milk, Fat and Protein
High Cow for Milk: Wesgray Legacy Tillie
4-09 365D 43,100M 4.2% 1824F 2.8% 1217P

Clark & Joy Vilter, Four Winds Farm
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1st Int. Extemporaneous Speaking

Betsey McKenna
Turley Scholarship Winner
1st Sr. Prepared Public Speaking
3rd Sr. Extemporaneous Speaking

*Guernsey Gold Production Contest 3rd Place: Pine Grove Challenge Robin owned by **Kristen Gallagher** Sangerfield, NY

*Thank you to **Erin Monica** for representing New York in the National Guernsey Queen Contest and our Sr. Quiz Bowl team members **Betsey & Jenny McKenna** and **Esther & Daniel Ripley**

Congratulations to William Peck, of Welcome Stock Farm, who will be honored at World Dairy Expo as the National Dairy Shrine Distinguished Dairy Cattle Breeder. Bill got his start with Guernseys and his daughters and grandkids are carrying on the Guernsey tradition.

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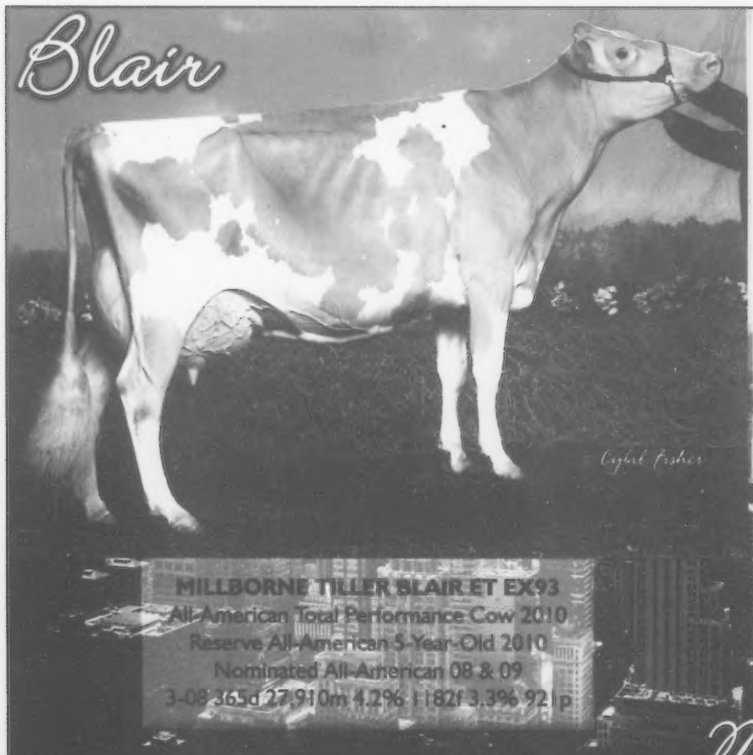

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Her third Grand Champion at NY, twice at the Spring Show and once and Supreme at NY State Fair. This time as an Aged Cow indicating she is 'wearing well' and just raised to EX93 with a 93 point udder in June!

Blaire is a maturnal great-granddaughter of Biddy EX94, founder of several great maternal lines. Maplehurst Bathsheba, from this maternal line, recently sold for $11,000 at the Convention Sale, she was Jr Champion 2009 and 2010 at the Canadian National Show.

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Judge: Blaine Crosser; Assoc: Chris Lang
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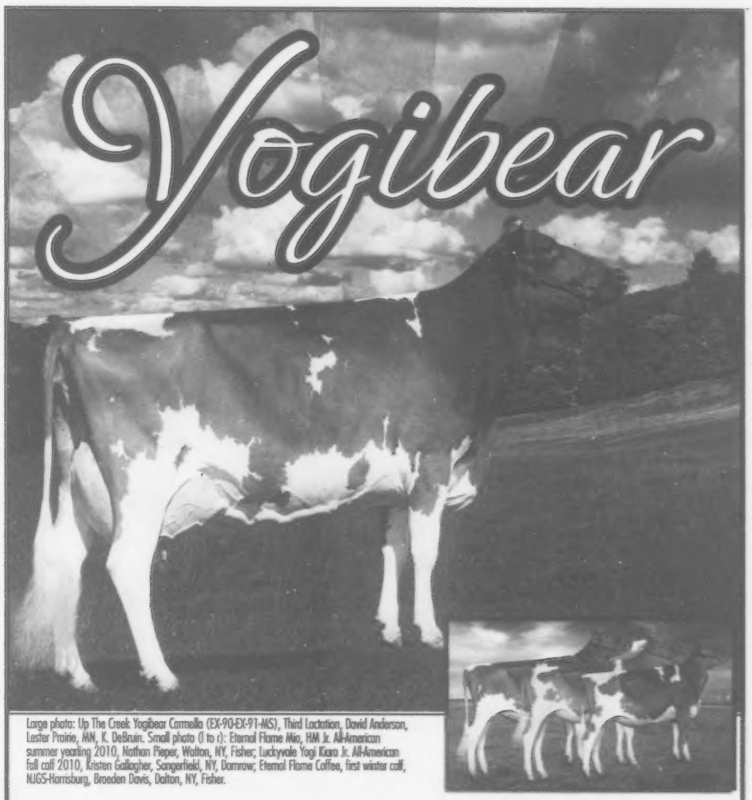
Judge: Herby D. Lutz
November 5 & 6 - NGS-Louisville
Judge: Julie Hemp; Assoc: Dean Dohle



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TO THE NATIONAL GUERNSEY CONVENTION

We hosted over 325 Guernsey enthusiasts (including over 100 youth!) in Illinois for the 2011 National Guernsey Convention. Visitors traveled from 23 states and 3 countries to be here.

CONGRATULATIONS ILLINOIS JUNIORS!

1st Place Jr. Quiz Bowl Team!
(L to R): Lauren Robison, Brock Irwin, Jordan Oellrich, and Emily Irwin.

Emily Irwin
Jr. Quiz Bowl MVP!

Lauren Robison
1st Jr. Prepared Public Speaking

Savannah Ropp
3rd Int. Extemporaneous Speaking

Brian & Kristi Dinderman Orangeville, IL
National Outstanding Young Farmers | Consignor of the high selling animal in the sale – Adams Creek Regal Dancer
Thank You to Vanessa Dinderman (pictured on the left) for representing Illinois in the National Queen Contest.

Thank You to all the helpers, consignors, buyers and bidders for making the National Sale one of the best ever! 43 Lots averaged $4,586 with 3 over $10,000!

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WE HAD THE PICK OF THE HOARD'S HERD! THEY SEND 15!

The barns are full at Hoard's Dairyman.

Dairyman Sharp Rowena EX-92
6-09 365D 24,070M 4.8% 1152F 3.5% 835P
Life: 114,710M 5.0% 5,726F 3.4% 3,926P
Rowena has 6 VG daughters and one Nom. AA LA Spider Jr. 2 and VG Turley Jr. 3 sell from Rowena's VG Tiller w/1,300F!

Rolling Prairie P King Pansy EX-90
5-01 365D 25,100M 4.5% 1120F 3.3% 819P
Backed by a 100,000M dam, Pansy's fresh Mr America sells!

Rutter Bros Royal Oaks Dawn EX-92
6-06 365D 23,420M 5.1% 1201F 3.5% 822P
Life: 125,730M 5.4% 6,789F 3.7% 4,591P
Dawn's VG-87 Challenge w/1,100F has a Skipper Jr. 2 selling fresh!

Marfred Storms Phrance EX-90
3-10 365D 26,470M 4.7% 1255F 3.1% 825P
Nom. All-American Sr. 2-Year-Old 2003
A Yogi bred heifer sells from her VG full sister w/975F. Their dam was an EX-90 Enticer w/1,000F.

Dairyman Spider Phame-ET VG-88
2-01 365D 22,110M 5.4% 1183F 3.7% 818P
A 1/11 Alstar sells from her VG Silverado. Phame is a sister to Phrance (at left).

Sunset Farms Hawk Daisy EX-92
6-09 305D 27,030M 4.7% 1272F 3.0% 1019P
LTD: 102,350M 4.7% 4,786F 3.7% 3,741P
Last Guernsey Gold Chance of the year! Her 4/10 Bingo sells! Daisy's dam was a VG-88 Logic backed by a Goliath.

Dairyman Neon Dilly VG-86
3-11 292D 22,370M 4.6% 1019F 3.0% 669P
Dilly's Mr America sister was Nom. All-American Fall Calf in 2009. Her EX-90 Tiller dam has 1,100F. Her Kain sells due in January.

Tune in on sale day – you never know what will go right from the show ring to the sale ring!

2011
INTERNATIONAL GUERNSEY CLASSIC SALE

7pm, October 6 | World Dairy Expo, Madison, Wisconsin

~ Schedule of Events ~
Thursday, October 6: 1:30pm NGS-Madison Heifers
6pm Pre-Sale Social, 7 pm International Guernsey Classic
Friday, October 7: 7:30am NGS-Madison Cows

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Sunrise Luxury Tami EX-93
3-10 365D 28,480M 4.2% 1198F 3.2% 907P
Life: 151,070M 4.0% 6,087F 3.2% 4,888P
Nom. All-American Sr. 3 and Fall Calf
Tami has 3 scored daughters – EX-92, EX-91 and VG-88 @ 2 yrs and she is the dam of the 2010 All-American Winter Yearling and Madison Res. Jr. Champion! Her fresh Les Fall Yearling sells along with a Mr. America Winter Yearling!

Knapps Ace Tamera EX-91
3-08 365D 24,510M 4.3% 1044F 3.2% 786P
Tamera just keep turning out the fancy ones. All 4 scored daughters are high VG already and she is the dam of the 2010 AA Jr. 2 and HM Jr. AA Fall Calf. Her Aaron Jr. 2 sells fresh!

Knapps Regis Tambourine VG-89
2-02 359D 20,840M 4.4% 914F 3.1% 643P
All-American Jr. 2-Year-Old 2010
Fresh again and ready to roll in 2011! Embryos from her dam, Ace Tamera sell!

FROM THE TOP OF THE BREED

Misty Meadows Neon Libby EX-93
6-04 305D 30,450M 4.6% 1402F 3.1% 929P
Life: 120,280M 4.3% 5,226F 3.2% 3,891P
Nom. Jr. All-American 4 times in milking form. Libby is now transmitting that style to her daughters. Her 4/11 Fayette sells!

Westlynn Tom Dee EX-96
5-11 365D 26,540M 4.8% 1284F 3.6% 961P
4-Time Madison Grand Champion & All-American Tom Dee herself was never mated with the great type bull Tiller. This is the next best thing – the only Tiller from her EX-90 clone sells due in January.

Low Brook Goldfoot Conny EX-90
4-01 365D 28,686M 4.6% 1329F 3.3% 958P
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